Hana to Yume Comics

Doubutsu no Oishasan

(Mr Veterinarian)

Vol.1

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H University,
School of
Veterinary
Medicine
Dissection
Class Lab
Here when night falls,
a horribly gory scene
takes place.
(It happens during the day
too, but you can't see it
clearly from outside)
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
HORROR
MOVIES ARE
SO BORING
NOW.
THEY CAN'T
COMPARE TO
SEEING THE
REAL THING
RIGHT BEFORE
YOUR EYES

And you can smell it too.
The color of the blood is much prettier in real life.
.....
YEAH, LET'S GO.
I ALWAYS GET THE SHIVERS WHEN I PASS BY HERE. EVEN IN BROAD DAY LIGHT.
OKAY
.....
STEP

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tad
tad
tad
tad
tad
tad
tad
tad
IT'S MASAKI
公輝
← Ha
← Mu
← Teru
Nickname
WE'RE LUCKY THAT WE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING, HAMUTERU!
PANTING!
PANTING!
THE LAST TIME I CAME THROUGH HERE, I SAW THOSE STUDENTS PULLING SOME LARGE ANIMAL'S INTESTINES~~~
STOP IT

I REALLY HATE THIS PLACE. IT'S FULL OF ANIMAL GRAVES.
BECAUSE THIS IS STILL WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS
WHY DOES THE SHORTCUT TO THE SUBWAY STATION HAVE TO GO PAST THE ANATOMY CLASSROOM?
Rustle
GYAH!
HANNYA*!

(T/N: A mask of a female demon)

IS IT SOME KIND OF ANIMAL?
SEEMS LIKE IT BUT THAT'S ONE SCARY FACE...
Pad
Pad
Pad
Pad
...CREEP
CRAWL
CRAWL
CRAWL

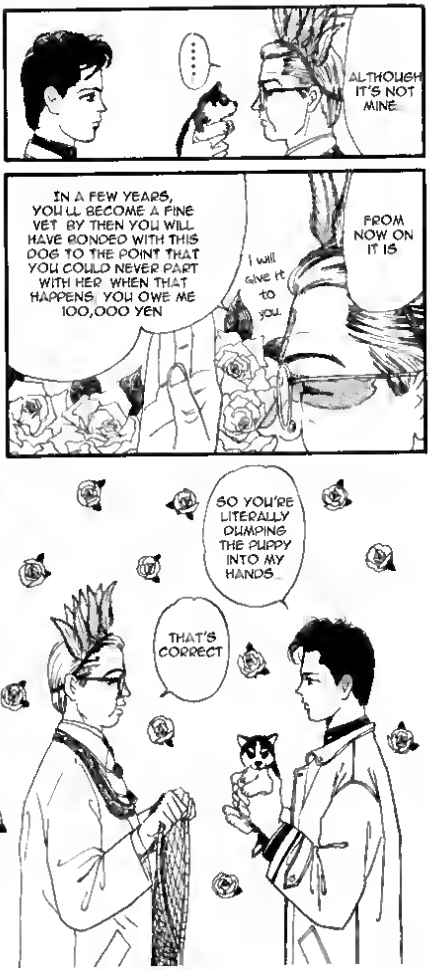
I TOLD YOU NOT TO COME OUT HERE! THEY'RE ROUNDING UP STRAYS!
HMPH
Oww
ばこっ
OUCH!
HE-Y I CAUGHT IT—
What's going on?
APPEARING
ONE
AFTER
ANOTHER

I HAD A GUEST AND WE TALKED ABOUT AFRICA
WE COULDN'T FIND IT IN THE ANIMAL HOSPITAL SO WE THOUGHT IT WAS PROBABLY OUT HERE SOMEWHERE
Obsessed with Africa
COOL GET-UP, PROFESSOR
Professor?
Headache
REWARD
SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR CLASS YOU MAY GO BACK NOW!
KYAN
Oh, even that scary-looking one whimpers like a normal dog would.
KYAN
KYAN KYAN
.....

PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT, PROF-ESSOR
IS THAT PUPPY GOING TO BE USED IN YOUR CLASS EXPERI-MENTS?
SO WHAT IF IT IS?
DO YOU THINK IT'S PITIABLE? DO YOU THINK THAT A VETERINARY STUDENT CAN JUST RELY ON MODELS FOR THE TRAINING NECESSARY TO CURE THE ILLNESSES OF THEIR PATIENTS? OR WOULD YOU RATHER TAKE ITS PLACE ON THE DISSECTION TABLE? DO YOU LIVE IN AN APARTMENT?

YOU WANT TO ENTER OUR UNIVERSITY?
You've got guts
STARE
STARE
I'M JUST ASKING
DON'T TALK BACK IF YOU LEAVE A BAD IMPRESSION. IT MIGHT PUT YOU AT A DISADVANTAGE WHEN YOU TAKE YOUR ENTRANCE EXAMS
IT'S A STAND ALONE HOUSE I JUST
FROM THE LOOK OF YOU----
I CAN FORESEE YOUR FUTURE! YOU WILL BE----
Uhmm It's not wrong but
POINT
SCIENCE PROGRAM!

A VET!!
I BET WITH THIS CASIO MINI
1850 yen
(T/N: a handheld calculator)
YOUR BET WILL BE THIS PUPPY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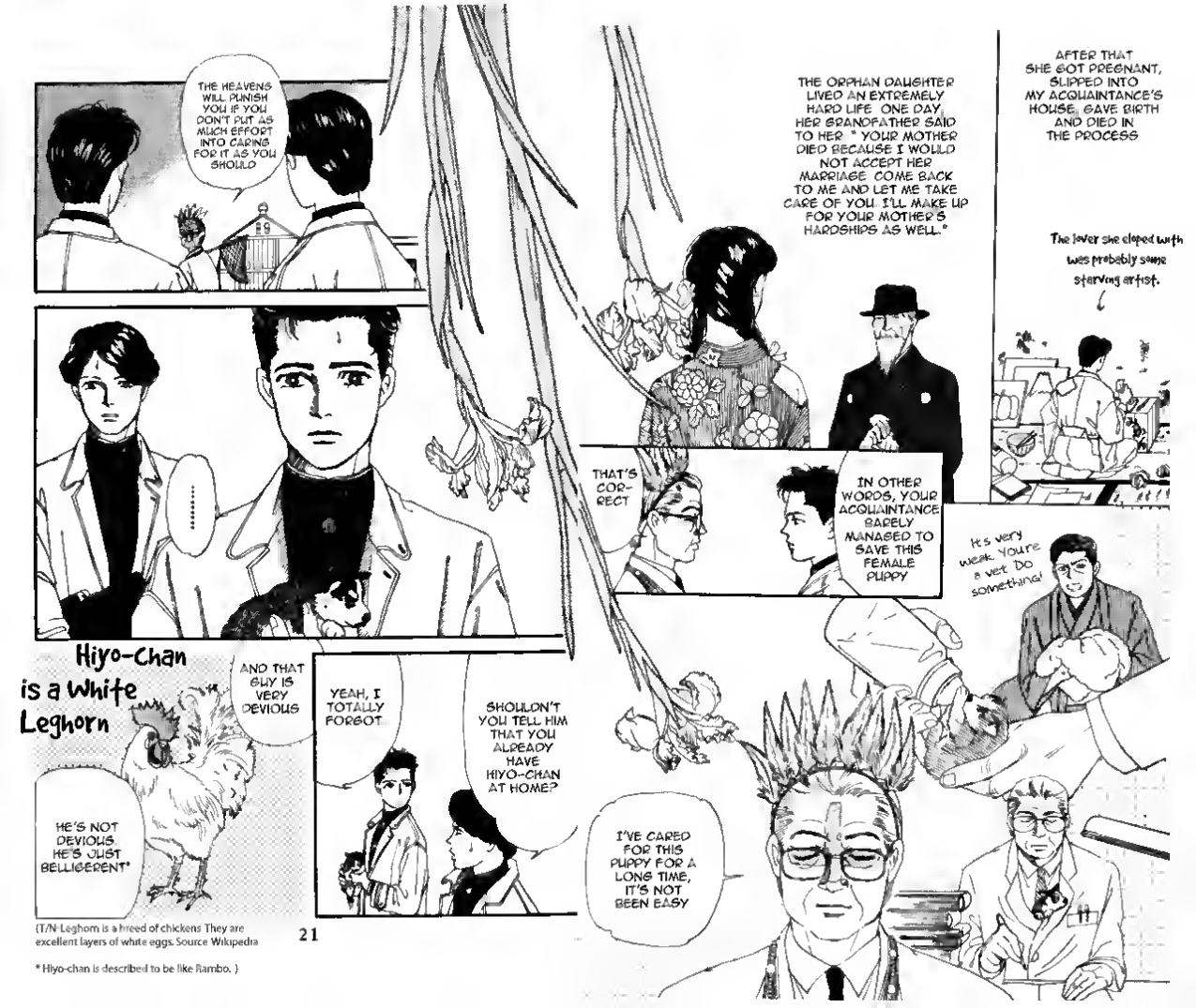
ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT MINE.
FROM NOW ON IT IS
I will give it to you.
IN A FEW YEARS, YOU'LL BECOME A FINE VET. BY THEN YOU WILL HAVE BONDED WITH THIS DOG TO THE POINT THAT YOU COULD NEVER PART WITH HER. WHEN THAT HAPPENS, YOU OWE ME 100,000 YEN.
SO YOU'RE LITERALLY DUMPING THE PUPPY INTO MY HANDS.
THAT'S CORRECT

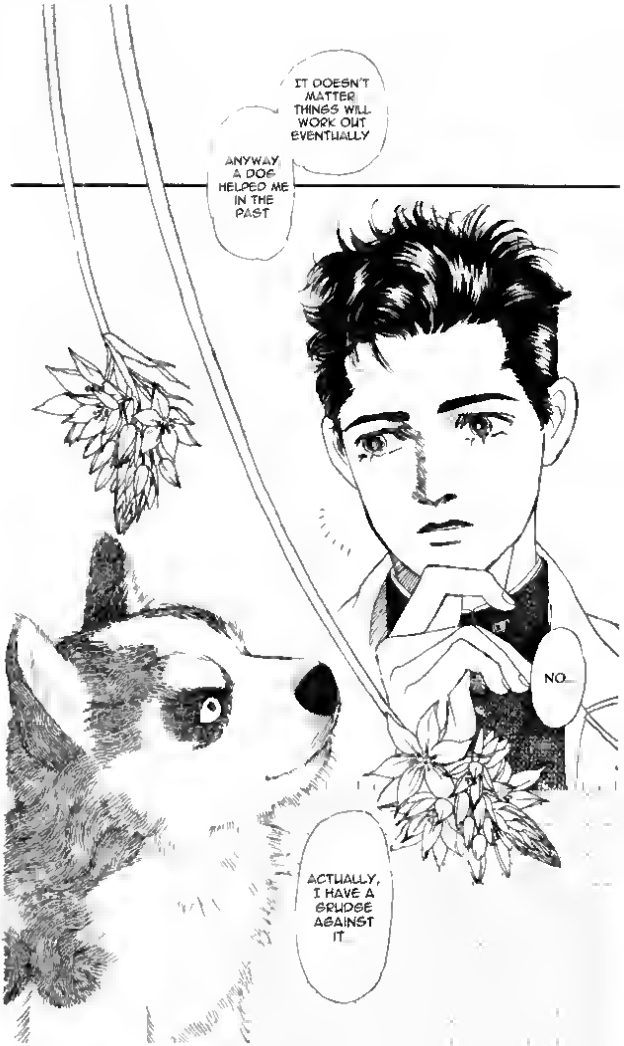
I WONDER HOW SHE GOT IN.
THE MOTHER SLIPPED IN FROM NOWHERE AND GAVE BIRTH TO THE PUPPIES.
THIS DOG WAS BORN UNDER THE FLOOR-BOARDS OF MY ACQUAINTANCE'S HOUSE
IT WAS GIVEN TO ME BY AN ACQUAINTANCE. HE CAN'T FIND ANYONE SUITABLE TO TAKE IT OFF HIS HANDS. AND I CAN'T JUST GIVE IT TO AN IRRESPONSIBLE PERSON
You are the most irresponsible one, Sir
Whim per
Whim per
Whim per
Whim per
IT'S ALL RIGHT. THEY'LL LEAVE WHEN THE PUPPIES GET BIGGER.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? I CAN'T GET IN FROM HERE
BUT THE MOTHER DID NOT SEEM TO BE DOING WELL. THE PUPPIES' CRIES BECAME SOFTER
Whim per
Whim per
THEY'VE BEEN QUIET FOR SUCH A LONG TIME!

LET'S REMOVE THE FLOOR-BOARDS!
.....
SHE MUST HAVE RUN AWAY BECAUSE HER FAMILY DID NOT APPROVE OF HER MARRIAGE
THE MOTHER LOOKED LIKE SHE CAME FROM A RICH FAMILY
The collar is an imported brand.


THE HEAVENS WILL PUNISH YOU IF YOU DON'T PUT AS MUCH EFFORT INTO CARING FOR IT AS YOU SHOULD
.....
Hiyo-Chan is a White Leghorn
AND THAT GUY IS VERY DEVIOUS
HE'S NOT DEVIOUS. HE'S JUST BELLIGERENT*
YEAH, I TOTALLY FORGOT
SHOULDN'T YOU TELL HIM THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE HIYO-CHAN AT HOME?
THE ORPHAN DAUGHTER LIVED AN EXTREMELY HARD LIFE. ONE DAY, HER GRANDFATHER SAID TO HER " YOUR MOTHER DIED BECAUSE I WOULD NOT ACCEPT HER MARRIAGE. COME BACK TO ME AND LET ME TAKE CARE OF YOU. I'LL MAKE UP FOR YOUR MOTHER'S HARDSHIPS AS WELL."
AFTER THAT SHE GOT PREGNANT, SLIPPED INTO MY ACQUAINTANCE'S HOUSE, GAVE BIRTH AND DIED IN THE PROCESS
The lover she eloped with was probably some starving artist.
THAT'S CORRECT
IN OTHER WORDS, YOUR ACQUAINTANCE BARELY MANAGED TO SAVE THIS FEMALE PUPPY
It's very weak. You're a vet. Do something!
I'VE CARED FOR THIS PUPPY FOR A LONG TIME, IT'S NOT BEEN EASY

(T/N-Leghorn is a breed of chickens. They are excellent layers of white eggs. Source: Wikipedia

* Hiyo-chan is described to be like Rambo.)


IT DOESN'T MATTER THINGS WILL WORK OUT EVENTUALLY
ANYWAY A DOG HELPED ME IN THE PAST
NO...
ACTUALLY, I HAVE A GRUDGE AGAINST IT...

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At that moment
On that day, Hamutaro was constipated, and was fretting over being empty-handed on his way to school.
Did you bring it?
This incident occurred during a stools check-up when Hamutaro was in elementary school
HOW AM I GOING TO EXPLAIN THIS TO THE TEACHER?
Hamutaro's eyes caught sight of some dog feces
.....
YOU TOOK THAT IN—?!
DARN RIGHT I DID
大友商事

In the end he was severely scolded by the teacher.
Under the microscope they saw numerous parasites that would never be found in a human body. The lab analyst totally flipped out.
EAAAH!
IT WASN'T DISCOVERED?
HOW COULD IT NOT HAVE BEEN?
COULDN'T YOU COME UP WITH SOMETHING BETTER THAN BRINGING THE DOG STOOL? YOU COULD HAVE ASKED SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY.
My family?
from
.....
ANYWAY, THAT SHOULDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THIS DOG. THIS ONE YOU WERE MORE OR LESS FORCED TO TAKE IT IN.
I KNOW THAT IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE PUPPY. IT MIGHT EVEN BE A GOOD WATCHDOG FOR US.
DON'T WORRY
SMILE

(T/N: Hannya – a mask of a female demon)
I THINK IT'D BE BETTER IF SHE DOESN'T SMILE
はんにゃ
般若
Hello!
So "the Hannya puppy" became a member of the Nishina house.
Hamuteru's huge house was built during the Taisho era (1912 – 1926), and occupies a large land area

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Sign: Nishine
西根
Uwa! Someone actually lives here!
It's very old
sfx: creak
sfx: creak
GRANDMA, I'M BACK
MEOW

'STRETCHING
YOU'RE BACK, KIMI-TERU
IT'S NOT KIMITERU! IT'S MASAKI
Everyone calls him Masayoshi or Masa or something like that.
It was named "Hiyo" because it was a chick when he bought it.
I ONLY BOUGHT HIYO-CHAN, AND THAT WAS TEN YEARS AGO
Don't say it like I'm always buying weird things.
This one is probably worth about 300 yen
YOU BOUGHT SOMETHING FROM BEHIND YOUR SCHOOL AGAIN?
BECAUSE IT'S LIKE THIS (not explaining anything), CAN WE KEEP THIS DOG?
(T/N: Hiyo is a short name for Hiyoko which means a chick in Japanese. So it's like he named the chick, "Chick")

(T/N: Koi is a short for Koinu which means a puppy in Japanese. Granny was making fun of how Hamuteru named Hiyo. Now Hiyo is already a full-grown rooster and he's stucked with the name Hiyo (little chick).)

HOW ABOUT "KOI" BECAUSE HE IS "KOINU" RIGHT NOW?"
NAME
AS LONG AS WE SEPARATE THE TIMES WHEN HIYO-CHAN AND THE DOG TO GO TO THE YARD, THERE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM
WELL, LET'S GIVE IT A NAME
COME, XX-CHAN
no name yet
AT LEAST I NAME THEM BASED ON WHAT I FEEL WHEN I SEE THEM
And you named your cat Mike* because of the pattern of her hair
YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH HOW I NAME MY PETS, DON'T YOU?
FINE, THIS TIME, I'LL COME UP WITH A SUPER UNIQUE NAME FOR MY PET JUST WATCH ME
Hmmm

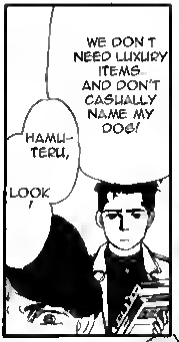
(T/N: Mike is pronounced "Mee-kel" meaning tiger in Grandma named Mike according to the pattern of the cat's fur that consists of the color white brown and black

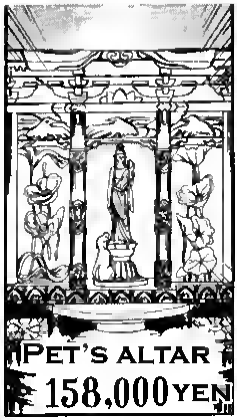
(T/N: Hokkaidou is a northern part of Japan)
Because the Nishime's residence is big, everyone just cleans up the area he or she uses
A thinking of people who live in Hokkaidou*
(T/N: Oniya - rice gruel containing vegetables, fish etc. and seasoned with miso or soy sauce)
I SHOULD GIVE HER SOMETHING TO EAT. I GUESS I'LL MAKE SOME OJIYA* TONIGHT
They each cook their own food. Very logical
Kumuteru, you can have the leftovers here. -Granny
Finally back in his own room
SCRATCH
SCRATCH

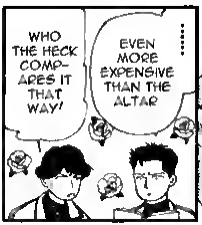
I DID A GOOD DEED
SO I SUPPOSE IT'S BECAUSE OF HER LOOKS THAT NO ONE WANTS TO TAKE HER
HER SLEEPING FACE LOOKS PRETTY MISERABLE
I HAVE TO THINK OF A NAME
How to keep a dog
WOW, THIS IS NICE HAMUTERU, BUY THIS FOR CHOBI

* How to keep a dog

WHAT'S IT, NIKAI-DOU?
THIS


WE DON'T NEED LUXURY ITEMS... AND DON'T CASUALLY NAME MY DOG!
HAMU-TERU,
LOOK,


PET'S ALTAR
158,000 YEN


WHO THE HECK COMPARES IT THAT WAY!
EVEN MORE EXPENSIVE THAN THE ALTAR

Siberian Husky
Originates from Siberia, renowned for pulling sleighs
Exported to Alaska during century

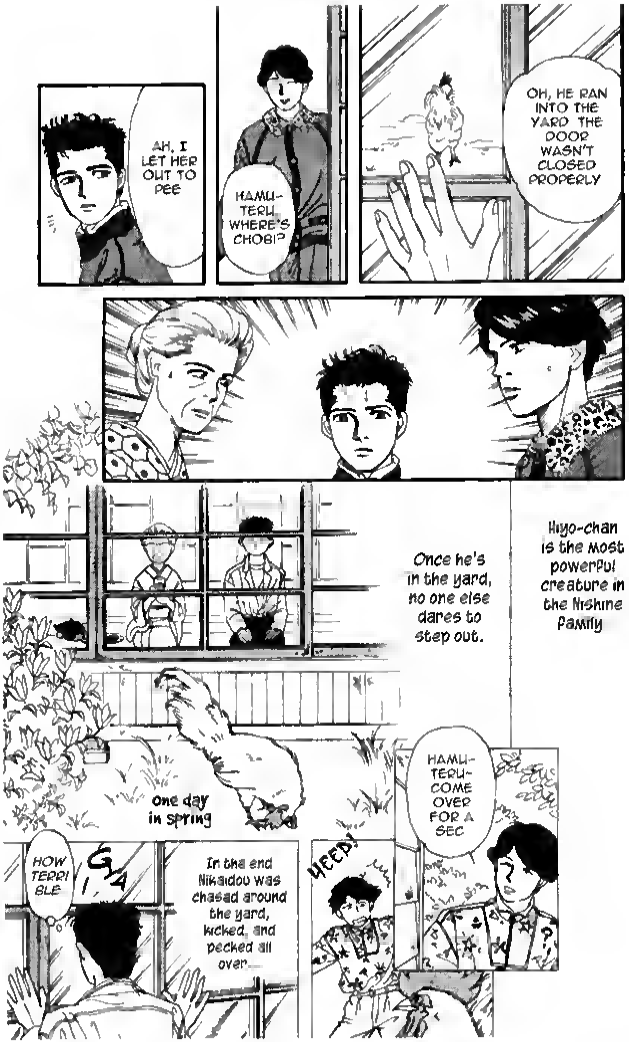
Like sonsm
FOR THINGS LIKE THIS, WHEN THE QUANTITY INCREASES THE PRICE WILL SURELY FALL.
So what?

300,000 yen
(Asking for 380 000 yen)

IT'S NOT JUST WELL-KNOWN THE PRICE, DUDE...
EH~ SO IT'S SUCH A WELL-KNOWN BREED

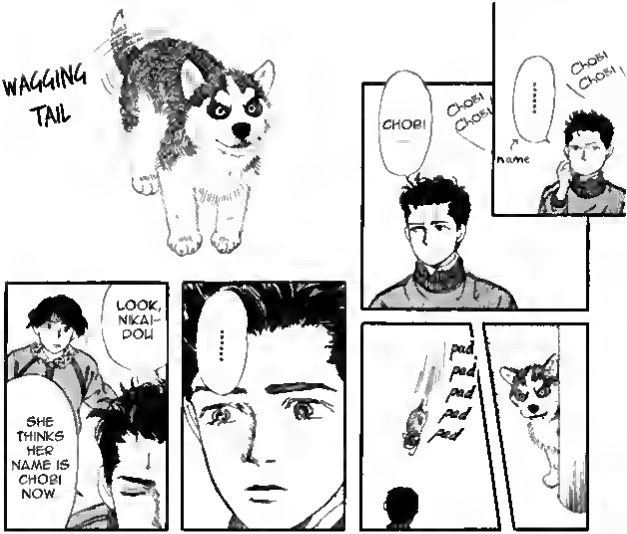
The Professor
IF YOU HOPE TO ENTER H UNIVERS-ITY YOU'D BETTER NOT TALK BADLY ABOUT HIM
TRUE IF IT WERE REALLY WORTH 300,000 YEN, THAT GREEDY-LOOK-ING PROFESSOR WOULDN'T HAVE PRACTICALLY FORCED ME TO TAKE IT
THE APPEAR-ANCE MAY BE SIMILAR, BUT IT COULD BE A MIXED-BREED
ANYWAY, I HAD NO IDEA THAT IT'S SUCH AN EXPENSIVE DOG
ISN'T THAT INCONVENIENT? WHAT SHOULD WE CALL HER? IF IT'S A PERSON, THE NAME HAS TO BE DECIDED WITHIN TWO WEEKS RIGHT~ CHOBI?
NOPE
CHOBI COME HERE
I MADE A LIST
HAMUTERU, DID YOU NAME THE DOG CHOBI?
MEOW
.....
Book Encycloped a of Names

NIKAIDOU, YOU CALL THE CAT CHOBI TOO?
OH— CHOBI, HOW'RE YOU?
Oh~ Chobi is so cute! Shake hands!
It's not just this. To him, even sea lions and kangkaroos are also called Chobi
I can't make sense of his logic.
ARE ALL SMALL ANIMALS NAMED CHOBI TO HIM?
People who call anyone whatever they like
Taiyro~ have you eaten?
We have already eaten, right? Chobi?
KIMITERU, DID YOU LET HIYO-CHAN OUT INTO THE YARD?


AH, I LET HER OUT TO PEE
HAMU-TERU, WHERE'S CHOBI?
OH, HE RAN INTO THE YARD THE DOOR WASN'T CLOSED PROPERLY
Hiyo-chan is the most powerful creature in the Nishine family
Once he's in the yard, no one else dares to step out.
one day in spring
HAMU-TERU-COME OVER FOR A SEC
HOW TERRIBLE
In the end Nikaidou was chased around the yard, kicked, and pecked all over—
PECK!

Finished peeing
Cluck
Cluck
Hurry up and grow!
On some level, keeping a chicken is like growing plants
Hurry up and grow!
IT SHOULDN'T PECK AT PEOPLE IN THE FIRST PLACE!
IS THAT SOMETHING TO BE GRATEFUL FOR?
Being injured by Hiyo-chan is like being stabbed with pliers.
Blood soaked
TONED DOWN?! DOES HE SHAKE HANDS WITH PEOPLE?
BUT WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER FOR 10 YEARS, IT HAS TONED DOWN
NO TONED DOWN MEANING THAT HE DOESN'T PECK AT PEOPLE TOO MUCH ANYMORE
--But now's not the time to say such things

CROWING
war cry
STARTLED
CHOBI, BUCK UP!
YOU'RE A SLEIGH-PULLING DOG!
YOU CAN'T LOSE TO AN OLD ROOSTER!
DASH
AH, CHOBI, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
AH
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
Chobi! Chobi!
YOU, GO THERE TO LOOK!
Turn



My name is Chobi

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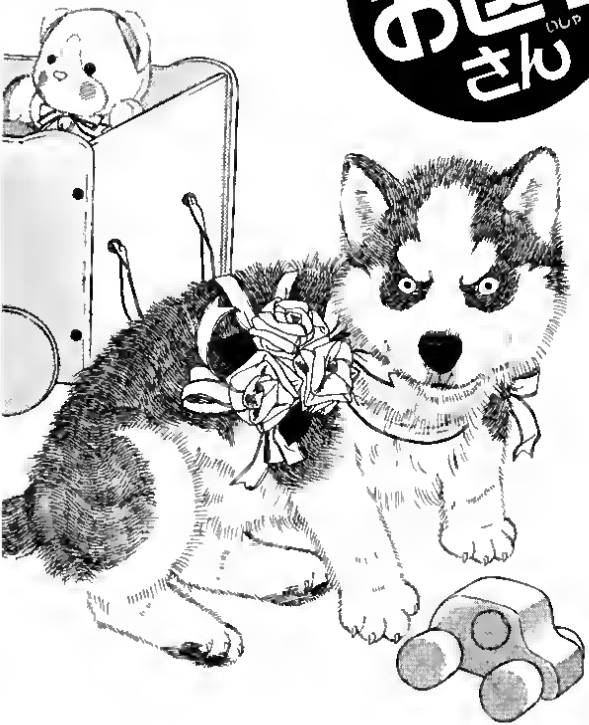
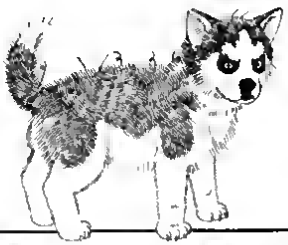


Chobi's stools have blood in them,

and she's also suffering from diarrhea.



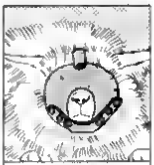


Figure 3.37
Cat muffler
to prevent being bitten during treatment

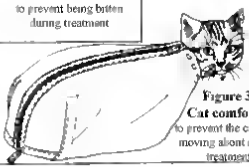


Figure 3 38
Cat comfort bag
to prevent the cat from moving about during treatment

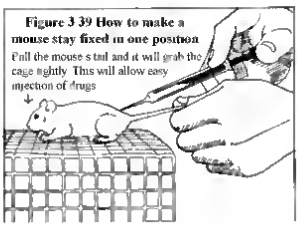


Figure 3 39 How to make a mouse stay fixed in one position
Pull the mouse s tail and it will grab the cage tightly This will allow easy injection of drugs

(T/N Canine d stemper is a serious viral disease Vaccines are available but despite extensive vaccination In many regions canine distemper remains a major disease of dogs. [Ref Wikipedia])

NISHINE
西根
RIGHT, WE'RE HERE TO CHECK UP ON CHOBI'S SYMPTOMS. I THINK IT'S BETTER TO BRING HER TO THE HOSPITAL
COME ON. ARE YOU DONE WITH READING THIS BOOK ON TREATMENTS FOR DOMESTIC ANIMALS?
To fix a chicken in one position you must spread its wings open and grab its feet tightly. If you are performing an operation, put it in a wooden box.
I'M GLAD THERE'S A HOSPITAL NEAR OUR HOUSE
DON'T GO THERE!
Grandma is like a raccoon because she holds grudges very deeply. She has hated that vet ever since
Grandma brought her dog, Koro, to the veterinary hospital nearby to have its nails trimmed. However its nails were cut too short and they bled
Grandma → then
It was shown on TV that a raccoon bullied by a cat will remember it very clearly
Very heavy
It will come back for revenge even after a long time
In Grandma's youth, when dinosaurs still roamed the earth
A dog to guard the house against invading dinosaurs

SIGH, IT WOULD BE BETTER IF IT WERE KIMITERU WHO WAS SICK. THE BILLS WOULD BE CHEAPER
Even if it's a joke,
His name has become Nishine Kimiteru/Hamu teru/Masaki
I SAY
NO, YOU TAKE CHOBI TO ANOTHER HOSPITAL!
BUT THAT DOCTOR HAS ALREADY PASSED AWAY. IT'S HIS SON OR GRANDSON WHO NOW SEES THE PATIENTS.
it bears some truth. It is indeed more expensive for animals to see the vet because they don't have insurance like humans do...
IF ONLY THERE'S SOME OTHER HOSPITAL NEARBY
And my Common First-stage exam is coming up
You can do it, Chobi!
I don't have time to take her to a vet further away
MEN AT WORK

(T/N The Common first stage exam (共通第１次学力試験 Kyōtsū daichi gakuryoku shiken) was a standardized test administered in Japan and used for university admissions from 1979 to 1989 [Ref-Wikipedia])

there's a weird professor over there.
But,
The School of Veterinary Medicine at H University should have an affiliated hospital
YOU WILL BE A VET.
An illness the other vets can't handle,
This is not true; just a joke.
He looks scary, but surprisingly, he may be a skilled vet.
under his care, Chobi was miraculously saved.
ACCLAIMED DOCTOR

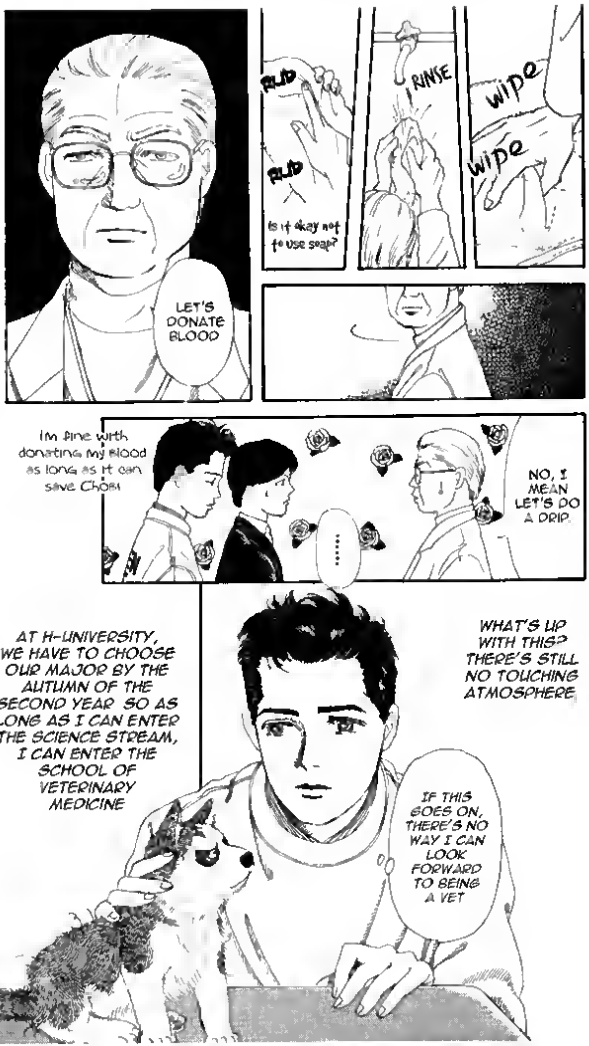
But it's not in the nature of this guy to be touched so easily.
A VET IS SO NOBLE
I AM GOING TO BE A VET!
A fully recovered Chobi jumping around among the flowers,
regardless of the season
CHOBI, LET'S GO THEN
So that's impossible
家畜病院
H-University, School of Veterinary Medicine Affiliated Hospital
A VET
Sign: Hospital for Domestic Animals
Straight to the point
I DON'T DISLIKE IT, BUT I'VE NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT
HAMUTERU, YOU DON'T WANT TO BE A VET?
not sure why he's here as well

I'LL DECIDE MY CAREER WHEN I'VE ENTERED H UNIVERSITY
THAT'S TRUE YOU HAVE TO ENTER THE UNIVERSITY FIRST
THAT CREEPY PROFESSOR WHO SAID YOU WILL BECOME A VET AND PUSHED CHOBI ON YOU, IS A VET AT H-UNIVERSITY.
HE'LL RECOGNIZE YOU HE MIGHT EVEN GIVE YOU A DISCOUNT
SO ?
Cats IN THE W
Hikaru will take the science program's entrance exam
IMPOSSIBLE WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF HE WORKS IN THIS DEPARTMENT
NISHINE-SAN, ROOM #1

(T/N Interstitial fluid is fluid that surrounds the cells)

(T/N *TSEs also known as prion diseases, are a group of progressive conditions that affect the brain and nervous system. The disorders cause impairment of brain function, including memory changes, personality changes and problems with movement that worsen over time. Mad-cow disease belongs to this group [Ref: Wikipedia])

THE DOG WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE NEUTERED ESCAPED
DOG?
THEY WENT TO SEARCH FOR A DOG.
WHY ARE THERE NO STUDENTS PRESENT TODAY?
Thump Thump
SHIVER SHIVER
VERY TERRIBLE
THEN... WON'T IT BE TERRIBLE IF IT CAN'T BE FOUND?
shivering
AH, THIS WON'T DO.
Ah, it's acting up again!


LET'S DONATE BLOOD
RUB
RUB
Is it okay not to use soap?
RINSE
WIPE
WIPE
I'm fine with donating my blood as long as it can save Chibi
NO, I MEAN LET'S DO A DRIP
.....
AT H-UNIVERSITY, WE HAVE TO CHOOSE OUR MAJOR BY THE AUTUMN OF THE SECOND YEAR. SO AS LONG AS I CAN ENTER THE SCIENCE STREAM, I CAN ENTER THE SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
WHAT'S UP WITH THIS? THERE'S STILL NO TOUCHING ATMOSPHERE
IF THIS GOES ON, THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LOOK FORWARD TO BEING A VET

STRANGE, WHY ISN'T IT FLOWING OUT?
CRASH
THUMP
TAD
TAD
TAD
VERY PANICKY
DRIP!
DRIP!
IF I KNEW HOW TO DO THIS, I WOULD PROBABLY BE FASTER
very slippery
PROF-ESSOR YOU'RE STEPPING ON THE TUBE
THUMP
CRASH!
Keke. It's usually the students who do this, so...
fell onto the patient...
That's too much, she's already sick
IT'S NOT WORKING OUT
Any yearning to be a vet
is totally destroyed

YOU HAVE A KNACK FOR THIS
SHAVE
I'LL DO IT.
WE HAVE TO SHAVE THE HAIR OFF HER LEG.
Finally, after much hard work, the drip was ready.
IT'S NO USE, HOW ABOUT THE BACK?
SHAVE
I'LL TRY THE RIGHT LEG IN FRONT.
SHAVE
THAT'S STRANGE, WHY DOESN'T THE NEEDLE GO IN? HER BLOOD VESSELS MUST BE REALLY FINE
Is it really like this?
NOT HERE?
Whimper
Whimper
CLAP!
CLAP!
CLAP!
IT'S IN!

I'M SORRY, CHORI. YOU'RE A GIRL BUT YOU HAVE THREE BALD SPOTS LIKE THIS
OOPS, WE WERE TOO SLOW THERE RE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE WAITING ROOM NOW
BRING THAT HERE, HOLD ON TO THIS!
PRE-PARE THE DRIP!
HOLD ON TO IT DON'T LET IT MOVE!
SHAVE OFF THE HAIR OVER HERE AND HERE!
THE TWO OF YOU, COME AND HELP AFTER THE DRIP IS FINISHED!
SCRATCH SCRATCH SCRATCH
WHAT'S THIS?
PROFESSOR, WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO HELP YOU, SO PLEASE GIVE US A DISCOUNT FOR CHORI'S TREATMENT
I'LL GIVE THIS TO YOU AS A THANK YOU GIFT. ONE EACH
GER-BILS
キャッ
SFX Yah!!
PANTING PANTING
ALL RIGHT THANKS FOR THE HARD WORK

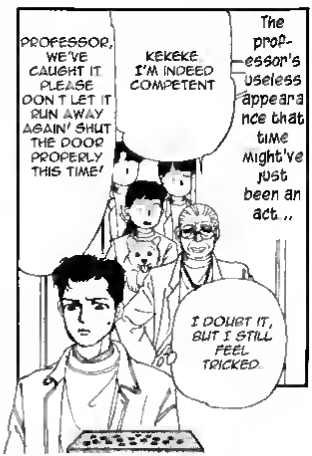
THE MONEY?
AH... I HAVE TO BRING BOTH OF THEM HOME AGAIN?
I DON'T WANT THEM!
WE DON'T NEED THEM FOR EXPERIMENTS ANYMORE
They're very cute.
Most afraid of rats
BESIDES CHOGI THERE'S ALSO THE CAT AND THE ROOSTER...
I WONDER IF THESE GERBILS WILL FALL ILL TOO...
BRING HER FOR A VACCINATION AFTER A FEW DAYS
CHOKE CHOKE
IS 860 YEN
CHOKE
I CAN STILL AFFORD TO PAY SUCH PETTY CASH
IS YOUR FAMILY THAT POOR?
Can't I even stand the sound?
SCRUNCH
I WASN'T TOUCHED AT ALL DURING THE TREATMENT PROCESS
BUT IF I CAN TREAT HER MYSELF, AND DO IT FAST AND ACCURATELY, I DON'T HAVE TO PAY ANYONE ELSE TO DO IT. IT IS CHEAPER IF I CALCULATE IT LIKE THAT.

IF I CAN ENTER THE SCIENCE PROGRAM
SO I HAVE DECIDED IN THE AUTUMN OF MY SECOND YEAR, I'LL CHOOSE THE SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

The results showed that Chobi had gastritis, and after all that suffering, she miraculously recovered.

It is as what the professor predicted.

But the three patches of hair that were shaved off took a very long time to grow back...


PROFESSOR, WE'VE CAUGHT IT. PLEASE DON'T LET IT RUN AWAY AGAIN! SHUT THE DOOR PROPERLY THIS TIME!
KEKEKE I'M INDEED COMPETENT
The professor's useless appearance that time might've just been an act...
I DOUBT IT, BUT I STILL FEEL TRICKED.

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After the gerbils had lived there for four months, Hamuteru and Nikaidou passed the entrance examination. They enrolled into H-University in spring.

The fact that Hamuteru took a couple of gerbils into the Nishime house greatly bothered Nikaidou.

Nikaidou hates rats with a passion.

He hates them to the point that he can't bear the sight of them, the sound of them. The word 'rats' in books is intolerable to him. He won't even walk barefeet in the kitchen.

Because once a rat was there.

DISAPPOINTED

Nishime

西根

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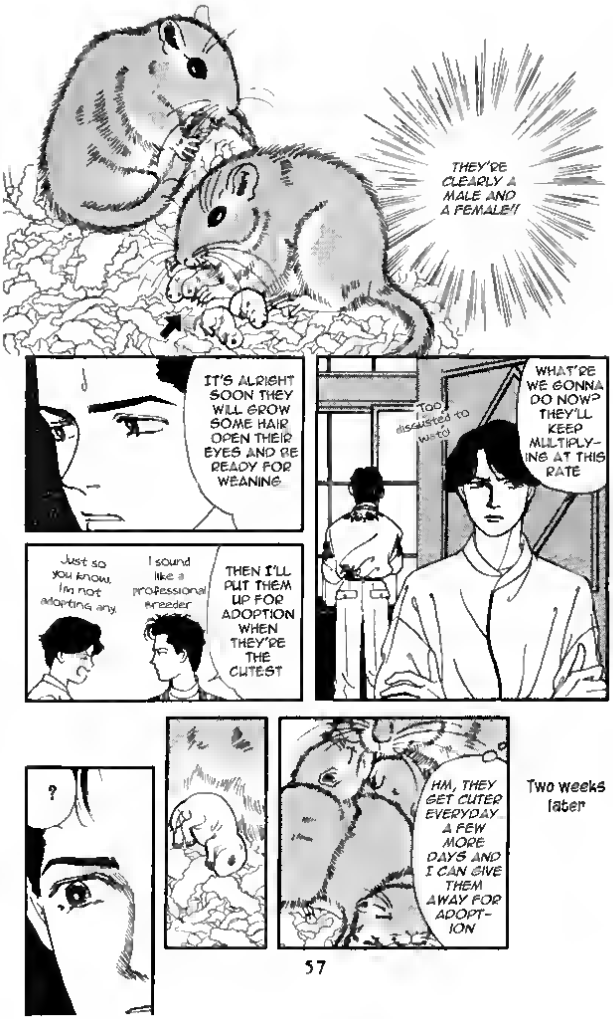
Nezumi

(T/N.All the characters above means mice/rats/rodents)

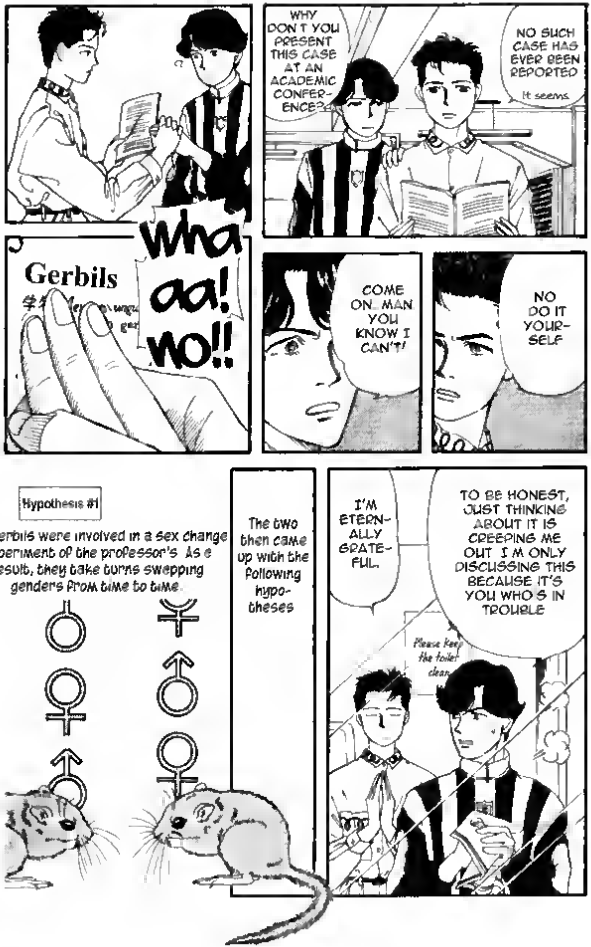
THEY'RE BOTH MALE, DON'T WORRY.

LIAR!


THEY'RE CLEARLY A MALE AND A FEMALE!!
IT'S ALRIGHT SOON THEY WILL GROW SOME HAIR OPEN THEIR EYES AND BE READY FOR WEANING
Too disgusted to watch
WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO NOW? THEY'LL KEEP MULTIPLYING AT THIS RATE
Just so you know, I'm not adopting any
I sound like a professional breeder
THEN I'LL PUT THEM UP FOR ADOPTION WHEN THEY'RE THE CUTEST
?
HM, THEY GET CUTER EVERYDAY. A FEW MORE DAYS AND I CAN GIVE THEM AWAY FOR ADOPTION
Two weeks later

THEY'RE BOTH FEMALE ?!

EXACTLY
IF THEY'RE BOTH FEMALES HOW ON EARTH COULD THERE BE BABIES?
I DIDN'T SEE WHEN THEY GAVE BIRTH. BUT I SAW THEM BREAST FEEDING THE BABIES.
THEY DIDN'T GET A SEX-CHANGE OPERATION, DID THEY?
FROM MY RESEARCH, A GERBIL'S GESTATION IS ONLY 24-26 DAYS
HEY, MAYBE THEY WERE ALREADY PREGNANT WHEN YOU BROUGHT THEM TO YOUR HOUSE.
TELL ME WHEN DID I GET THE GERBILS AGAIN?
FOUR MONTHS AGO.
THAT MEANS THEY MUST HAVE BEEN CONCEIVED IN YOUR HOUSE.


WHY DON'T YOU PRESENT THIS CASE AT AN ACADEMIC CONFERENCE?
NO SUCH CASE HAS EVER BEEN REPORTED
It seems.
Gerbils
Whaaa! no!!
COME ON. MAN YOU KNOW I CAN'T!
NO DO IT YOURSELF
Hypothesis #1
The gerbils were involved in a sex change experiment of the professor's. As a result, they take turns swapping genders from time to time.
The two then came up with the following hypotheses
I'M ETERNALLY GRATEFUL.
TO BE HONEST, JUST THINKING ABOUT IT IS CREEPING ME OUT. I'M ONLY DISCUSSING THIS BECAUSE IT'S YOU WHO'S IN TROUBLE
Please keep the toilet clean.

Hypothesis #3
The professor occasionally sneaked into Kamuteru's house and changed the gerbils
This one has prettier hair.
Hypothesis #2
Both gerbils are female. They each just happened to engage in a secret affair with rat bachelors residing in Kamuteru's house
Where did the bachelors come from?
He is from a group of gerbils that the professor freed before
I'LL DO MY EXPERIMENTS WITHOUT RATS, DUH!
HOW ARE YOU GOING BE A VET IF YOU WON'T TOUCH RATS?
I HOPE IT'S BOY SIDE.
ACTUALLY COMING UP WITH HYPOTHESES IS KINDA FUN. MAYBE I SHOULD PICK VETERINARY SCIENCE AS MY MAJOR
BEATS ME. HE LOOKS LIKE THAT KIND OF PERSON
WHY DID WE DECIDE THAT ALL THOSE ABSURD-SOUNDING HYPOTHESES ARE THE PROFESSOR'S DOING?
OUT OF THESE THREE HYPOTHESES WHICH ONE DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST PROBABLE?
PROBABLY #3
IT'S UNLIKELY THAT THERE ARE ANY LOOSE GERBILS IN MY HOUSE
BECAUSE WE HAVE MIKE

BE DAZZLED BY MY SKILLS
She also hunts animals other than rats, she preys on birds and insects too. Even cockroaches don't dampen her spirits.
Her prey is not limited to house rodents, she hunts those outside too. And she would bring them back to show us
Mike is a natural born hunter
SHE CATCHES SAUSAGES TOO SOME-TIMES
THAT'S CALLED THIEVING!
The gerbils are impossibly dumb and slow.
They wouldn't notice even if their friends were being fed.
SO WE CAN CUT ANY POSSI-BILITY THAT A MALE GERBIL WAS AROUND THE FEMALES' CAGE
They must think you're cute, Mike-chan
MY GRANDMA SPOILED HER ROTTEN, SAYING THAT IT WAS A GIFT
IF IT'S REALLY A GIFT, THAT CAT WOULDN'T BOTHER TO SHOW US

THEY AREN'T BRIGHT ANIMALS BY ANY STANDARD
to no end.
Drop in some toilet paper rolls and they keep gnawing.
When you stick your finger into the cage, they stretch and try to touch it.
THUD
and pass out on the spot.
IF you throw a crumpled handkerchief over them, they get a fright of their lives
startle
and gnawing
GNAW
GNAW
GNAW
and gnawing
GNAW
GNAW
GNAW
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
SNIFF
THAT'S EVEN MORE STUPID. FAKING DEATH IN FRONT OF A HUNTER IS AS GOOD AS ASKING TO REALLY DIE
I GUESS SINCE THEY LIVE WHERE NO CATS ARE AROUND, A SWOOPING BIRD IS PROBABLY THEIR NATURAL ENEMY
I PANICKED AND PUT THEM UNDER RUNNING WATER
seems to work
Woke them up

During the weaning period, supplement with half a dried sardine & half a peanut.
HALF A SARDINE...
HALF A PEANUT...
TO HOLO MIKE?
NO. MIKE IS FREE TO ROAM AR, I NEED TO BUY SOME PEANUTS
HEY, YOU LEAVE THEM IN THE HOUSE LIKE THAT?
I BUILT A BARRI-CADE
(T/N: dried baby sardines, also known as Niboshi)
People in this house are, like, totally weird! Leaving these rats running around.
Why I can't reach it!
In a sec
Play with me

I will get them. All the rest of the people in this house are like, totally bogus at hunting.
I'M HOME CHOBI, MIKE
AND THE GERBILS
NAME THEM ALREADY
WHOA, THEIR EYES ARE OPEN NOW THIS ONE IS ADORABLE
I won't buy it
NIKAI-DOU, COME LOOK

NIKAIDOU, HOLD ON TO MIKE DON'T LET HER GO NO MATTER WHAT
MIKE, I'LL PLAY WITH YOU LATER
Come. I'll teach you how to catch a rat
Oh, this is for Mike?
THAT WASN'T YOUR FOOD!
YEAH, THEY LIVE IN A FISH TANK WITH IRON RACK ON TOP
EVEN IF A MALE HOUSE RAT MANAGED TO ESCAPE MIKE'S PAWS, HE COULDN'T GET IN
CHOBI, HAVE SOME TOO
Half peanut and half dried sardine→

HAVE SOME PEA-NUT
The other one noticed the peanut.
SNIFF SNIFF
NOT YOURS. you're not weaned yet
Ignorant
HERE, YOUR PEANUT
OWWW
BITE
CLATTER
Slow and an easy catch
AH, NO!
But bit him by surprise
THAT HURTS!
NIKAI-DOU, DON'T LET GO OF MIKE!
EH? WHY?

Faints
MOON
MOON
CHOBI, DON'T STEP ON THEM
Even though Nikaidou fainted, he held on to Mike very tightly.
I save up
sfx: Arghhhh
sfx. slam

We love soft fur
WHERE'RE THE OTHER FOUR?
THEY HAVE NO SENSE OF SURVIVAL, DO THEY?
I DIDN'T TOUCH THEM; THEY TOUCHED ME!
.....
COME ON DON'T BE A SPOIL SPORT YOU CAN FINALLY TOUCH RATS.
SO WHAT?
THE FIRST FIVE WERE ADOPTED

YUP
THOSE ARE NAMES ?!
Daddy
THE ONE WITH THE FUNNY FACE IS "DADDY"
AND THE CUTER ONE "MOMMY"
Mommy
I THINK THEY CAN ONLY BE MALE AND FEMALE I'VE NAMED THEM ALREADY
DADDY GAVE BIRTH TO THE BABIES AGAIN
DADDY GAVE BIRTH TO THE BABIES
But years have passed and Mommy hasn't once birthed babies.
So it might be possible that the professor snuck in and occasionally swapped the gerbils.
But then again, two weeks was still too short for the female gerbil to bear another litter.
normally twice a year
Maybe the male gerbils feel like breast feeding their babies sometimes, Hamutaro thought.
Come to think of it, Daddy must be female and Mommy male.

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There was an incident of pig's tail biting.
TAIL-BITING
WHAT BIT-ING?
If pigs feel stressed out, they sometimes bite off other pig's tails.
Pigs are very delicate and easily nervous animals. They like to be clean, so if their living environment is dirty, they'll be stressed out.
SO THIS MEANS OUR CARETAKING DIDN'T QUITE MEASURE UP TO THEIR EXPECTATIONS
Nipped off

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For some reason, Nikaidou also got into the same faculty...

During the autumn of his second year at H University, Masaki got into the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, as he had wished.

IMPOSSIBLE WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE BETTER CARE OF THEM BECAUSE WE HAD HISHINUMA-SAN TEACH US HOW

The previous caretakers

Bet you skipped cleaning duties!

Hamuteru and Nikaidou are now in charge of the pigs for Animal Husbandry Training.

I MIGHT NOT BE OKAY

WILL YOU BE OKAY? SOMEONE WHO HATES RATS SO MUCH...

H University holds exams in autumn for sophomores to decide their major.

Depending on one's grades, one may not be accepted into one's chosen department.

All students take general subjects before taking these exams.

THEN DON'T FILL IT IN AS YOUR FIRST CHOICE!

I DIDN'T EXPECT TO ACTUALLY GET IN

thou shalt go study veterinary medicine
I DO WANT TO PURSUE A CAREER IN VETERINARY MEDICINE, BUT I REALLY HATE TO TOUCH "THOSE"
↓
rats
FACED WITH THIS DILEMMA, I DID AS GOD TOLD ME
God said
BUT SINCE THE VET PROGRAM IS DIFFICULT TO GET IN TO, I THOUGHT I WOULDN'T MAKE IT ANYWAY --
I'm not going to care when you suffer in the future
But husbandry training is quite troublesome
You see it starts at 8 in the morning. Actually it's from 8:30 to 9 in the morning but if you misjudge the time, you're late for class - so we start early
Luckily, Hamutero and Nikaidou have a consultant.
First day of husbandry training
OKAY, EVERYONE
MEAL TIME -
BAM
blink
stamp
stamp
stamp

munch munch munch
.....
WHY CAN'T YOU WAIT A MOMENT! SUCH BAD BEHAVIOR!
AHEM YOU CAN'T DO THIS PROPERLY IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PARTNER TO HELP YOU
Her name is Hishimoma Seiko, a graduate student in Veterinary Medicine
ONE OF YOU DIVERTS THEIR ATTENTION WHILE THE OTHER FILLS THE FEEDING TROUGH OUTSIDE
IT WOULD BE BETTER IF

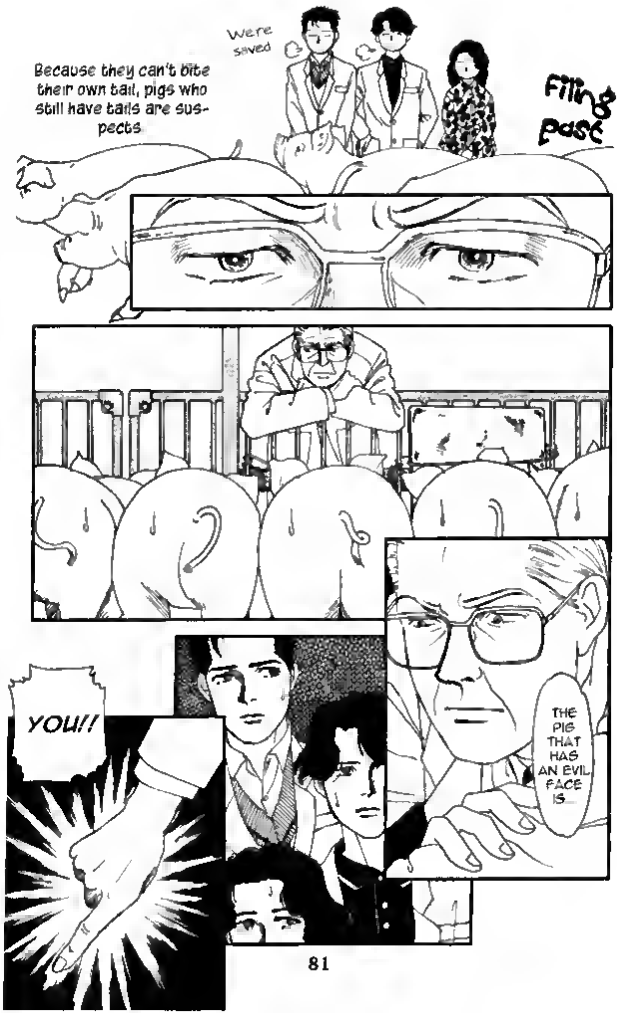
Actually, it's empty!
see
Ok, should we try it?
SWISH
Look here ~ The feed's here
HAMU-TERU, YOU
I just want to finish this quickly
SAY WHATEVER YOU WANT
PLONG
Crumple Crumple Crumple Crumple
西根
Nishine
THAT'S NO EX-CUSE!!

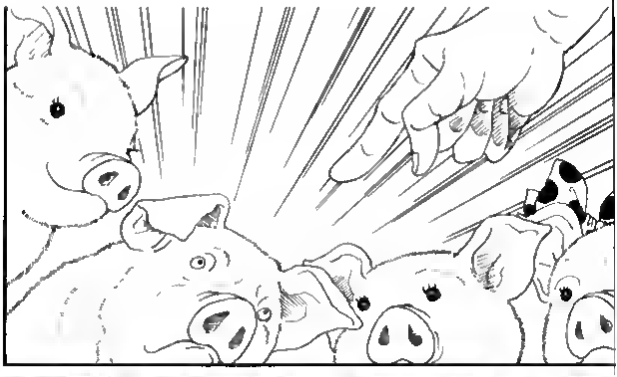
SHE DOES COME OFTEN COULD IT BE BECAUSE WE DON'T LOOK VERY RELIABLE?
BUT WHEN SHE COMES, THE PIGS SEEM TO BE BETTER-BEHAVED OR MAYBE INTIMIDATED?
WE WORKED SO HARD TO TAKE CARE OF THEM. WHAT ELSE COULD THEY BE UNHAPPY ABOUT?
Or they're really that particular about cleanliness - they should clean up themselves!
IF HISHINUMA-SAN COMES TOMORROW MORNING, LET'S ASK HER ABOUT THE TAIL BITING
OINK
NO, IT SURELY COMES FROM EXPERIENCE
Or maybe the pigs cringe when they see that glassy-eyed gloomy person
You've become so manly, even though you're a girl
Hey Chibi
Let's play
Struggle

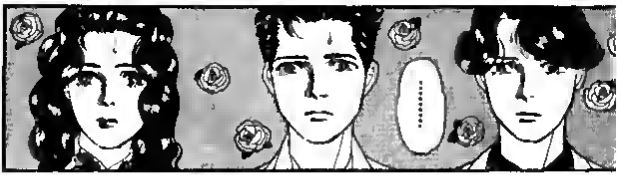
OK, YOU'RE DISMISSED NEXT!
Weighing
eee
squeak
No entry except department staff
husbandry training
Next day
"How many times do I have to tell you?
WHEN I SAY 'NEXT', GET IN THERE BY YOURSELF!
HAMUTERU, HELP CATCH IT. JUST ONE MORE AND WE'RE DONE
HUFF
HUFF
Making use of the chance to clean up
THAT ONE AGAIN?
SURELY WE'RE DOING IT LIKE WE WERE TOLD.
BUT WE MIGHT HAVE STRESSED THE DELICATE PIGS BECAUSE WE ARE STILL SO INEXPERIENCED
She, with features that could hardly be called lovely, stood out among her peers.

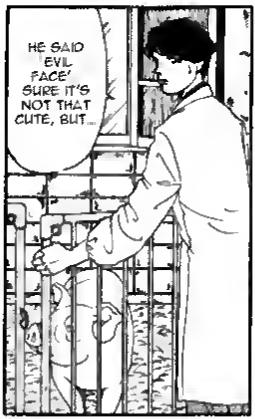
YOU HAVE TO
DO AS YOU'RE TOLD
NOW!
GRAB
Now now
BOEEN!
HAMUTERU, IT HAP-PENED AGAIN A SECOND ONE GOT BITTEN
The second tail biting victim.

WITHOUT A TAIL, THEY CAN'T CHASE FLIES AWAY
AND PLACES WHICH GET BITTEN WILL ALSO GET INFECTED MORE EASILY
Read the appendix, you guys
THERE ARE PLACES THAT REALLY DO THAT...
BUT THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH BEING TAIL-LESS
WE'LL PLAY MUSIC TO THEM
THEY NEVER DO IT IN FRONT OF PEOPLE. WE HAVE TO FIND THE CULPRIT IF WE DON'T FIND THE SOURCE OF STRESS, THERE'LL BE MORE VICTIMS
I HAVE AN IDEA
WHAT IS IT?
PRO-FES-SOR!
I WILL TELL YOU WHO'S THE CULPRIT. HAVE THE PIGS WITH TAILS LINE UP OVER THERE!

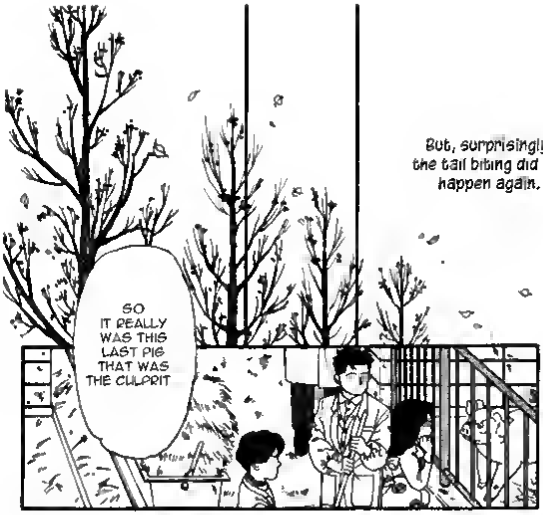

Were saved
Because they can't bite their own tail, pigs who still have tails are suspects
Filing past
THE PIG THAT HAS AN EVIL FACE IS...
YOU!!

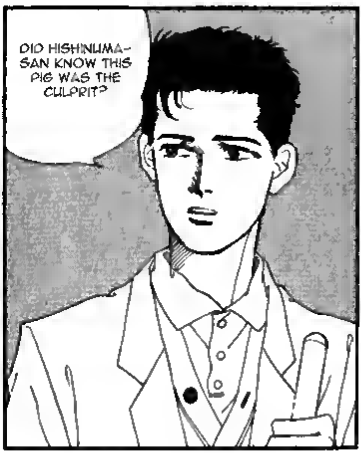


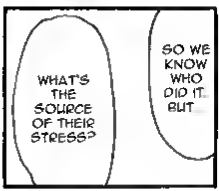




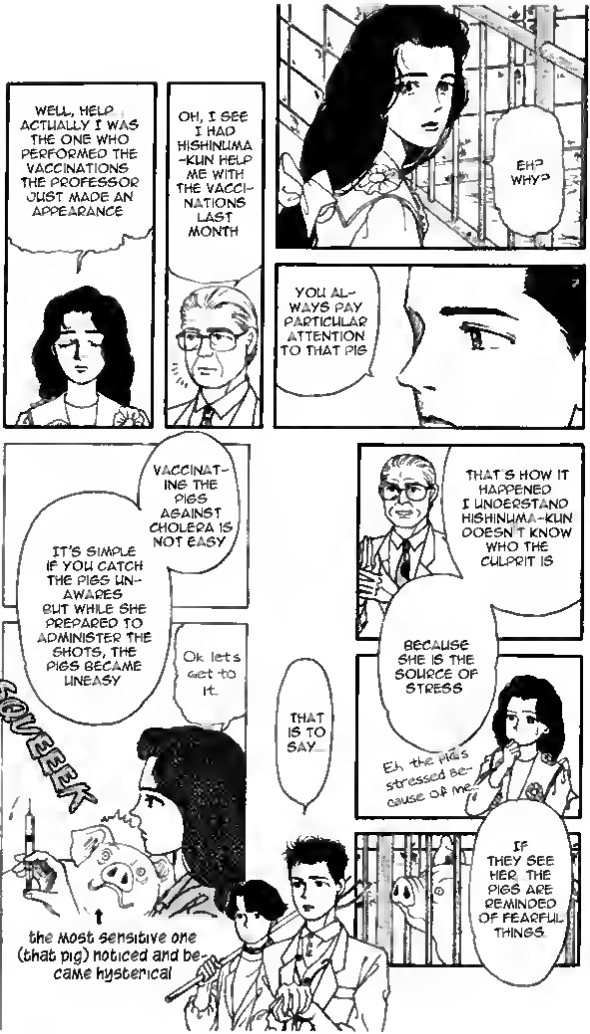
No one believed it, but out of respect for the Professor they kept the pig isolated.


But, surprisingly, the tail biting did not happen again.
SO IT REALLY WAS THIS LAST PIG THAT WAS THE CULPRIT


DID HISHINUMA-SAN KNOW THIS PIG WAS THE CULPRIT?


SO WE KNOW WHO DID IT. BUT
WHAT'S THE SOURCE OF THEIR STRESS?

BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T CLEAN THE PIG PEN
WE DID!


EH? WHY?
YOU ALWAYS PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THAT PIG
OH, I SEE I HAD HISHINUMA-KUN HELP ME WITH THE VACCINATIONS LAST MONTH
WELL, HELP ACTUALLY I WAS THE ONE WHO PERFORMED THE VACCINATIONS THE PROFESSOR JUST MADE AN APPEARANCE
THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENED I UNDERSTAND HISHINUMA-KUN DOESN'T KNOW WHO THE CULPRIT IS
BECAUSE SHE IS THE SOURCE OF STRESS
Eh, the pig's stressed because of me
IF THEY SEE HER THE PIGS ARE REMINDED OF FEARFUL THINGS.
THAT IS TO SAY...
VACCINATING THE PIGS AGAINST CHOLERA IS NOT EASY
IT'S SIMPLE IF YOU CATCH THE PIGS UNAWARES BUT WHILE SHE PREPARED TO ADMINISTER THE SHOTS, THE PIGS BECAME UNEASY
Ok let's get to it.
SQUEEEK
the most sensitive one (that pig) noticed and became hysterical

THIS
Well in the end we grabbed the pigs to give the injection
about to faint.
It will affect the rest, and eventually all of them will become hysterical.
I WAS WORRIED ALL ALONG THAT THE PIG WOULD NOT GROW UP WELL BECAUSE IT WAS SO SENSITIVE
WHEN I PASSED THE PEN ONE MORNING, I REALIZED THAT PIG LOOKED VERY UNEASY. I WAS CONCERNED SO I VISITED IT OFTEN
SUCH IS THE FATE OF A VETERINARIAN EVEN IF WE'RE DOING IT TO PREVENT AN ILLNESS, TO THE PIGS WE'RE DESPICABLE PEOPLE WHO SUBJECT THEM TO PAIN.
BUT SURELY ONE DAY, YOU WILL MEET AN ANIMAL THAT UNDERSTANDS YOU
BUT IT WAS MORE A HINDRANCE THAN A HELP. THAT PIG ACTUALLY DISLIKED ME.

WELL, WELL FINALLY THE PIG DUTY IS OVER WHAT'S NEXT?
cows
It was proven that Hamuteru's and Nikardou's work was not to blame. But...
WILL IT BE SO...?
IT WILL. SO DON'T LOSE HEART AND DON'T SHOW UP AROUND THE PIGS AGAIN
COW
Cows are incredibly curious
Never seen them
Don't they look feeble?
Look, newbies are here
There's no such thing as an easy job
A mob of onlookers.

Actually it's a play on words. An onlooker (ex at an accident) is called yajuma in Japanese with -uma meaning 'horse' Here it's yajushi, -ushi being 'cow'

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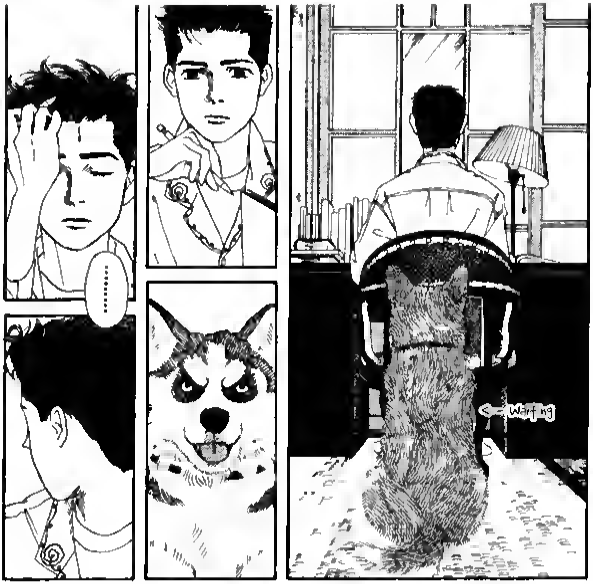
MY DEAR MIKE
EVEN IF KIMITERU WON'T FEED YOU, YOU'LL SURVIVE BECAUSE YOU'RE GOOD AT CATCHING MICE
南無阿弥陀
AH, BUT... YOU'LL GO AFTER THE MICE RELENTLESSLY. SO AFTER A WHILE NONE WILL BE LEFT IN THE HOUSE. I GET WORRIED THAT YOU WON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO EAT
T/N The letters in the back represent a call graphy scroll with a Buddhist mantra.
I SUPPOSE I'LL HAVE TO ASK KIMITERU TO TAKE CARE OF YOU AFTER ALL.
don't like it though
EVEN IF YOU DIDN'T ASK I WOULD AT LEAST GIVE HER FOOD!

MY VACATION STARTS THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW!
KIMITERU, ARE YOU TRYING TO GET RID OF ME!?
IT'S JUST A TWO DAY TRIP TO THE HOT SPRINGS WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. SO DON'T MAKE SUCH A FUSS OVER IT.
I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT FROM NOW, SO DON'T WORRY! GO GO!
南無阿弥陀佛
.....
It'd be enough to do the packing by tomorrow night.
In that case
I can do like I want to!
I can wait.
Scary face, but wife obedient.
SORRY CHORI CAN YOU WAIT? BECAUSE I HAVE A PAPER DUE TOMORROW
Let's play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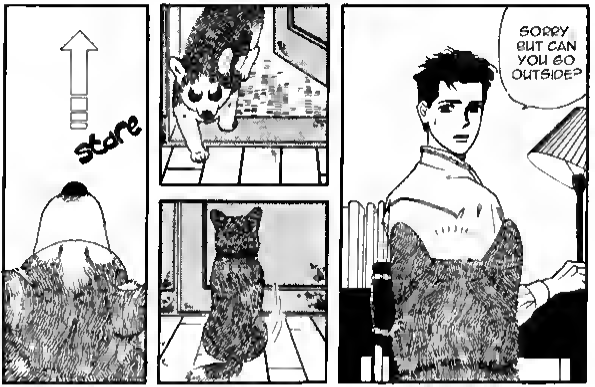
Waiting


stare
SORRY BUT CAN YOU GO OUTSIDE?

Still
Staring
Staring
If this moves, he's going out
Staring
IT'S BECAUSE I DON'T PLAY MUCH WITH HER LATELY
ON TOP OF THAT, WHEN GRANDMA'S GONE, MIKE WILL BE BORED, TOO
Let's go play
SORRY CHOBI
SO PLAY OUTSIDE FOR A WHILE
Really?

NAG
Let's play!
NAG
NAG
Oh. Just thinking about it makes my head ache.
BORED
Nibble
Nibble
Nibble
Nibble
.....
THAT'S IT!
Doodle-doo
Look-a-
I SHOULD TAKE THEM TO SCHOOL WITH ME!
Those I can take that is!
K University Veterinary Department
I'll be back, then.

Dangerous games

1. Chasing after her tail, she tries to bite it
SEE, IF I DON'T LOOK AFTER THEM, THEY'LL START DANGEROUS GAMES
WHY NOW, ALL OF A SUDDEN?
WELL, WHAT A SCARY FACE~
PET
PET
SFX BANG
ドーン
3 She tumbles down a hill
2 When bent around, she loses balance
IT CERTAINLY WAS A GAME, TILL MIDWAY
I'D RATHER CALL IT AN ACCIDENT THAN A GAME

Hamotaro isn't the first to take animals to school with him.

And a lot of others strolling around the Veterinary Department
Animals that come here find company. Also, the students look after them if they have time. So, they don't ever get lonely.
Shimomura's pet dog, Fuk-kun
Awano's pet cat, Chako
Kiyohara's pet dog, Heikurou
IS IT AROUND HERE?
SEEMS IT'S NOT ON THE 2ND FLOOR
Can't be helped Let's search again
eek what's up!!!!
THAT ONE?
NO, THAT'S NOT IT. IT'S A TOR-TOISE-SHELL
WHO IS "IT"?
DAMN THE SURGERY IS SCHEDULED FOR THE AFTER-NOON
THE CAT, THEY SAY
HAMUTERU, DIDN'T YOU SEE IT?
Stray rabbit
Here is MY rabbit ory
Stray goose
Sorry
Stray guinea pig
Add in the animals that have gone back to the wild that you see here and there It's not a desolate place, it's bustling.
In addition to the animals the students bring, there are those that escape from cages that the Professors forgot to lock.

EH!
HAMU-TERU THE LECTURE IS ABOUT TO START
WELL. WHERE SHOULD I LEAVE HER?
HEY. WHERE'S MIKE?
BECAUSE CATS WILL GO ASTRAY, IT'S BETTER TO KEEP THEM INSIDE
T/N Waiting room
MIKE, DON'T GO IN THERE!
IF YOU ACCIDENTALLY GO IN THERE, YOU'LL BE SHAVED BALD BY A VIOLENT PROFESSOR AND HE WILL DO HORRIBLE THINGS TO YOU
Why is that?
HAMU-TERU
THINK ABOUT WHERE YOU ARE AND WHO YOU'RE WITH
AN ANYWAY, THE LECTURE'S GONNA START, SO...
Hamu-teru you...
If the student says so, it's probably true.
It's true.

MAYBE I'LL PUT HER INTO THE FRIDGE...
Bacteria and probes are stored there.
Suddenly feeling stress building up.
OR I COULD LOCK HER IN THE TOILET I SAW A MOUSE THERE RECENTLY
.....
PLEASE, HISHINUMA-SAN, PUT HER SOMEWHERE!
Thank you very much.
WELL
OR, SINCE YOU'RE SUCH A POOR THING JUST STAY AROUND HERE
.....
HISHINUMA-KUN, IS PROFESSOR SUGAWARA HERE?

I think I've said so repeatedly but he won't be back until the day after tomorrow
Oh, he hasn't come back yet?
PROFESSOR SUGAWARA IS ON A BUSINESS TRIP SINCE LAST WEEK
T/N Waiting room
Nothing to be done there
AH! HERE IT IS!
outpatient hours are in the morning, in the afternoon surgery and the like are scheduled
Oh, seems there's nobody here
DAMN THAT LECTURE TOOK LONGER THAN IT SHOULD HAVE
I'M SORRY, HISHINUMA-SAN HOW'S MIKE?
GOOD WE'LL START SURGERY RIGHT AWAY
PROF-ESSOR! WE'VE FOUND HER!

SEEMS LIKE SHE'S GONE SOMEWHERE...
WAS IT REALLY THIS CAT?
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S A BIT SMALL?
I ALSO THINK IT HAD MORE WHITE ON HER...
I LOOKED PROPERLY! A RED RIBBON AND GOLDEN EYES AND THIS IS THE RIGHT SIZE
IT'S NO OTHER CAT BUT THIS!
ANES-THE-SIA!
WHAT ARE YOU MAKING A FUSS ABOUT? DIDN'T YOU TAKE A PROPER LOOK AT THE ANIMAL PATIENT?
BUT I DON'T REMEMBER HEARING...
I THINK IT HAD A BELL AROUND ITS NECK
THERE WAS NO COLLAR
DID IT WEAR A RED RIBBON?

So it'll be okay over there
CHOBI, THAT DOESN'T MATTER NOW - GO LOOK FOR MIKE!
Sign that says not to defecate here
STRANGE. I CAN'T FIND HER
MAYBE SHE WENT OUTSIDE THE BUILDING
MAMI-TERU, SHE'S THERE!
SHAV-ER!
HEY, MIKE, WHY ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY?
STOPS SHORT
BUZZZ

THE ONE THAT WAS ADMIT-TED FOR STERILIZ ATION SURGERY ?
ISN'T THIS CAT
CTUALLY, THIS ONE S RATHER ON THE PLUMP SIDE.
THAT'S NOT MIKE
Krch Krch
HISSSS
I HOPE THEY HAVEN'T STARTED YET
IF HER CAT ACCIDENTALLY UNDERWENT SURGERY, GRANDMA WOULD BE FURIOUS
IT'S TIME FOR THE AFTER-NOON SURGE-ERY

HEH HEH HEHE HEH
Professor please stop
About 20 minutes and it'll be over...
Don't panic
DO IT!
Doesn't do much by himself, because he's clumsy
SFX bang
intoxicated with playing the villain's part
HARHARHARHAR IT'S NO USE CALLING FOR HELP. YOUR OWNER WON'T COME TO GET YOU UNTIL TOMORROW...
MEOW
EH? WHAT?
PROF-ESSOR...

The real patient
chubby→
collar→
no bell but some accessory
SO...
WELL, WELL!
DIDN'T WE SAY SO!
If my legs hadn't given way just now... I'll pay you back another time...!
Also, she lost some of her fur! Even though she's a girl!
What is this kimitery?
A bald cat
Even if I feel sick, I won't go to the hospital.
Chapter 6 / End

If she hadn't been drugged, she surely would have staged an attack by now to show her hostility.

Mike was saved, moments before the scalpel touched her, from the hands of the mad scientist (that is, the Professor)

Namely that any animal of the Nishine household that passes the gate of the University's domestic animal clinic won't come out without losing hair...

Even though Chobi's hair has all grown back by now, it's not far fetched to say that it was the beginning of a curse...

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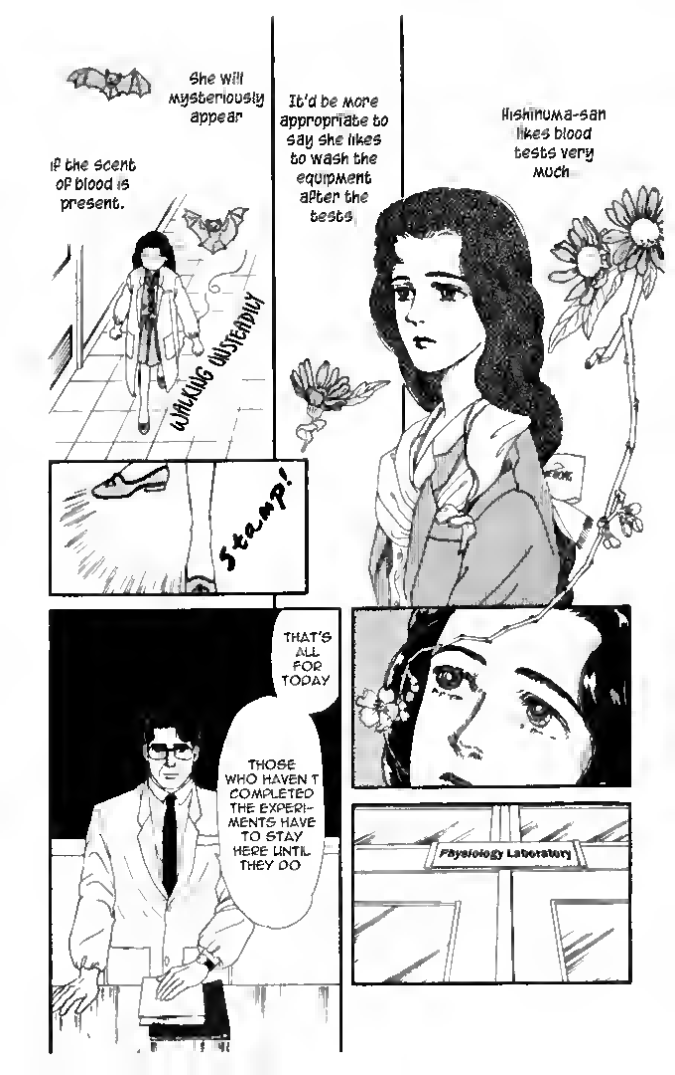
She will mysteriously appear
If the scent of blood is present.
Walking mysteriously
It'd be more appropriate to say she likes to wash the equipment after the tests
Hishinuma-san likes blood tests very much
Stamp!
THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY
THOSE WHO HAVEN T COMPLETED THE EXPERI-MENTS HAVE TO STAY HERE UNTIL THEY DO
Physiology Laboratory

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There's limited equipment available, so they have to split up into groups and take turns.
Before using animals for experiments, they first use humans (themselves)
It's over~ It's over~
GEEZ, WE'RE LATE FOR LUNCH AGAIN.
Yeah
Blood-testing group
She has an appointment
DO YOU NEED ANY HELP WASHING UP?
STARES---
SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB
La la
TREMBLING
Blood is centrifuged into its liquid part and solid gluey part. Hishimuma likes to wash the equipment with the residual gluey part
She likes this kind of feeling

(T/N When blood s centr fuged, it div des into three layers The plasma is thinner and likely the "liquid part The red blood cells themselves separate to the bottom and are likely the "gluey part" The th rd layer Is a layer of blood platelets In between the two and is presumably included in the "gluey part")

(T/N-Homeothermic is just a more scientific term for warm-blooded.)
I DON'T THINK YOU'LL GET ANYTHING OUT OF IT
BUT YOU CAN JOIN IF YOU WANT TO
PROFESSOR, CAN I JOIN IN?
Already did it before during her internship a few years ago
In this experiment they're immersing their hands in a low-temperature environment. Their body temperature will drop significantly but will increase again after dropping to a certain extent
Because humans are homeothermic* animals
WHAT? THERE'S NO BLOOD HERE!
Wah! It's painful! Sniff!
IT'S OVER NOW.
Graph
Body temperatures
Time
Will drop to a certain extent
and increase again
HISHINUMA-SAN, DON'T YOU FEEL THE PAIN?
Let's push on!
So painful!
So cold!

ALL RIGHT TAKE OUT YOUR HAND NOW!
No increase
Hishinuma's data
Still no increase
No increase
UHM
I'M NOT TOO SURE
IT SEEMS TO FEEL.
A BIT PAIN-FUL?
PULL OUT
ARE YOU REALLY A LIVING PERSON?
Her normal body temperature is already so low you can't measure it with a regular thermometer
DON'T FEEL ATTACHED TO EARTH, HURRY AND ASCEND TO HEAVEN!
BLOOD TEST-ING
And her reaction towards pain is very slow
She only feels numbness
LET'S QUICKLY CLEAN UP, NEXT WEEK IS BLOOD TESTING
YOUR RESULTS ARE THE SAME AS BEFORE YOUR BODY TEMPERATURE DOES NOT RETURN TO NORMAL. WHAT IS GOING ON?
Mysterious poikilo-thermic* creature

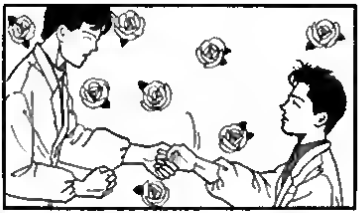
(T/N poikilothermic is just a more scientific term for cold blooded.)

Although Hamuteru's pets are scared that their fur will be shaved off whenever they go to the university affiliated hospital, once they've been through it, they're safe.
It's like baptism. You just need to do it once.
AH, CHOBI, YOU'RE PLAYING WITH HEIKUROU ?
WAG
WAG
IT'D BE GOOD IF IT IS JUST THAT
Heikurou also often comes to play. He's Kyohara's beloved dog.
COUGH
COUGH
There's a rude
Therefore Hamuteru often brings Chobi to the university to play.
Ah, the doctor who shaved me bald
IT'S A COLD ?
Kyohara
HEIKUROU'S GOT A COLD? HE'LL GET BETTER IF HE DRINKS EGGNOG AND SLEEPS FOR A WHILE

Physiology Laboratory
In the following week, they did blood-testing
THE ELEPHANT'S HERE!
KYOHARA?
YOU'RE NOT TAKING A LOOK AT THE ELEPHANT?
I WONDER WHO WILL TAKE CHARGE
IT'S PROBABLY GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME, IT SURE IS TOUGH WORK
THEY'RE DOING AN AUTOPSY TO FIND THE CAUSE OF DEATH
IT'S HUGE!
WOW
ARE ANY OF YOU FREE TO HELP? YOU'RE GOING TO DO IT IN THE AFTERNOON.
Frontal Assault
EH-
OH OH OH
Pretty close by nature
ANYWAY WE'LL DEFINITELY SEE SOME THINGS WE DON'T WANT TO DURING THE AUTOPSY

Oh, we're the same.
SHAKE HANDS
I'LL LOOK AT IT LATER

HIS RIGHT HAND SEEMS TO BE HOLDING SOMETHING



THERE'RE PEOPLE WHO USE THEIR LEFT HAND TO SHAKE HANDS?

LET'S ADD GLUCOSE
Looking at the elephant
NIKAIDOU'S STILL LOOKING AT IT

IF THAT'S THE CASE... COULD IT BE THAT I WAS DRINKING TOO MUCH BEFORE...
OR MY NUTRITION INTAKE IS IMBALANCED
DIABETES?
YOU WERE SNEAKING BITES OF MANJUU DURING CLASS, RIGHT?
YOU MUST BE NEGLECTING YOUR HEALTH
DO YOU NEED HELP CLEANING UP?
YOUR BLOOD GLUCOSE LEVEL IS OFF THE CHART!
SPLAT
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SPLAT
THERE'LL BE A HEALTH SCREENING FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM GET IT CHECKED AT A HOSPITAL FOR HUMANS!
EDM, DOESN'T KYOHARA SEEM A BIT STRANGE LATELY?
Health Center
Students from the School of Veterinary Medicine take their own blood samples for the sake of convenience.
The health screenings are for humans.
University health examination
My eyesight has gotten worse.
Isn't the urine test done here?

PLEASE! LET THE PREVIOUS RESULTS BE JUST BECAUSE I WAS EATING TOO MANY SWEET BUNS!
I DIDN'T EAT ANY RICE OR SWEET STUFF IN THE PAST TWO DAYS
MY HEALTH IS CRUCIALLY DEPENDENT ON THE RESULT OF THIS BLOOD TEST
The results will show you're anemic this time.
I have other things to worry about now
IS HE WORRIED ABOUT HEIKUROU'S HEALTH?
IF YOU WANT, ALL RIGHT
I'LL HELP DELIVER YOUR BLOOD SAMPLES
I have to go through the health screening too
NO WAY. I'M HERE TO BRING MY OWN BLOOD SAMPLE
HISHINUMA-SAN, DID THE THE SCENT OF BLOOD LURE YOU HERE AGAIN?
IT'S OKAY, I'LL DO IT MYSELF
KYOHARA, I'LL HELP YOU TOO

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Nikai-
Seiko dou Hamu-
teru
Kyo-
kara
Hee
hee
These are Seiko's and Kyoharas.
These are Hamuteru's and Nikaidou's samples.
ERM... THEN PLEASE
WHAT'S UP WITH HER? SHE LOOKS SO HAPPY
WE'VE JUST DONE A GOOD DEED
WAH~ THERE'RE SO MANY TEST TUBES, IT'LL BE A LOT OF WORK TO CLEAN THEM
PUT THEM THERE AND LABEL THEM WITH YOUR NAMES
B
A
M
!

AH, SORRY!
AH IT'S HISHINUMA-KUN WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
PROF-ESSOR...
HMM NEVER MIND
The test tube with the least volume should be mine
This should be Kyokane's.
Hamuteru-kun's and Nikaidou-kun's
IF ALL SAMPLES' RESULTS TURN OUT TO BE IN THE NORMAL RANGE, THEN THE MIX UP WON'T MATTER.
The results show that it did matter.
The professors from the School of Veterinary Medicine are called to an emergency meeting
WHAT'S THIS! WHAT KIND OF BLOOD IS THIS!

THE PROFESSORS SEEM TO BE HOLDING SOME SECRET MEETING
EVEN THE HEALTH CENTER PERSONNEL ARE HERE
WHY WOULD I WANT TO CREATE A NEW DISEASE?!
You're so rude to say that!
YOU MUST BE CREATING SOME NEW DISEASE!
NO, IT'S NIKAIDOU AKIO'S SAMPLE.
IS IT HISHINUMA SEIKO'S SAMPLE?
THE SIZE OF THE WHITE BLOOD CELLS IS NOT HUMAN!
THEY'RE TOO MUCH.

WHAT'S THIS, ISN'T IT DOG'S BLOOD?
HMM?
WE HAVE TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL FOR FURTHER TESTING
IT'S THAT GUY AGAIN
WHICH ONE? LET ME SEE
STAGGER
Ah, he has become anemic
EH? B-BUT... I'VE NEVER CHECKED A DOG'S BLOOD SAMPLE BEFORE, HOW WOULD I KNOW!
WHAT THE HECK~ YOU ACTUALLY DIDN'T REALIZE!
AH. IT REALLY IS
A DOG'S BLOOD?
WHY WAS A DOG'S BLOOD SAMPLE HANDED IN INSTEAD?

I WAS AFRAID IT COULD BE CANINE DISTEMPER
A BLOOD TEST WOULD CONFIRM THIS BUT I STILL DIDN'T KNOW HOW...
THE BLOOD TEST RESULTS LOOK FINE
IT SHOULD BE JUST A SLIGHT COLD
IT'S HEIKURO'S BLOOD
YES
EVEN SO, USING THE DOG'S BLOOD FOR A HUMAN HEALTH SCREENING IS A BIT TOO...
Brilliant idea though
That happened when I was still a kid
Didn't you once hand in a dog's stool sample to the teacher what might do you have to criticize others?
BUT I CAN'T TAKE IT LYING DOWN
IF YOU HAVE NO MONEY, WE'RE ALL WILLING TO DONATE
I HAVE MONEY
EVEN SO, WHY DIDN'T YOU GO TO A VET FOR A CHECKUP?
I'M SORRY NIKAIDOU. I ORIGINALLY INTENDED TO SWITCH IT WITH MY OWN BLOOD
I'm not that extreme.
This sounds like what Hanuttery would do
I INITIALLY WANTED TO DO IT DURING PHYSIOLOGY LAB CLASS, BUT I HAD NO CHANCE TO SWITCH THE SAMPLES, SO I WAS OBLIGATED TO THE HEALTH SCREENING...
I've been studying veterinary medicine

HAMUTERU, YOU KNEW THAT SOMEONE INTENTIONALLY ADDED GLUCOSE TO MY SAMPLE DURING THE LAB TEST. DIDN'T YOU?
YES
You're all so cunning!
But I...
WHY IS IT MY FAULT AGAIN? WHAT DID I DO?
OF COURSE I DID NOT SWITCH SAMPLES INTENTIONALLY IT HAPPENED WHEN THE PROFESSOR BARGED IN...
We don't know what he's really thinking, but we do know that
In Fact, he could've been sick himself, but he gave the chance to do a health checkup to his beloved dog (.....?)
The reason that Kyohara did not want to pay for a check up wasn't because he didn't love Heikurou
WELL, I WOULD HAVE, IF IT BECAME A MORE SERIOUS MATTER
THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME!
BESIDES, YOU DIDN'T LOOK TOO WORRIED
Not worried? Then how do you define worried?
there are a lot of scary people in the School of Veterinary Medicine.
That's what Chobi thinks.

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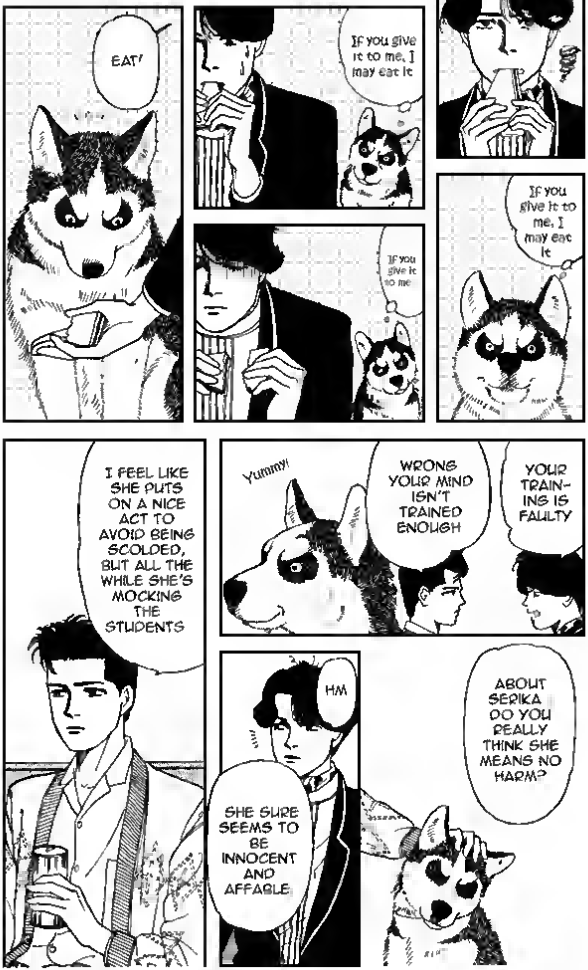
Serika's nose is always running.
DRIP
Working around Serika is fine if you are facing her. But if you happen to turn your back...
DRAG
But she has charm.
Later
Let's play

shine
HAMUTERU, YOU'RE THE MOST RECENT ONE SHE'S GOTTEN 40 STUDENTS THIS YEAR
SHE GOT ME
Don't use people's backs as tissues!
one of Seriko's first 10 victims
I - don't - want - to.
Let's play!
I WAS BEING CAREFUL - BUT I WAS LOST IN THOUGHT SO I LET IT SLIP
They eat Soumen raw.
They don't like Macaroni as much as Soumen
The beer tails are easy they like Soumen and such
I DO
THINKING? DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING WORRYING YOU?
WHAT TO FEED CHOBI TONIGHT

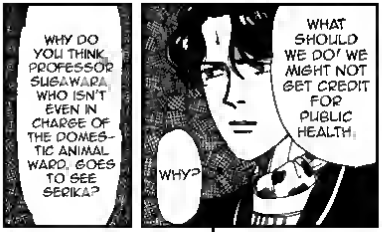
IF SERIKA'S NOSE WOULD JUST STOP RUNNING, EVERYTHING WOULD BE FINE
ISN'T IT AN ALLERGIC RHINITIS?
THEN IT WON'T BE CURED EASILY
SHE DOESN'T HAVE BAD INTENTIONS HER RUNNY NOSE IS BOTHERING HER, SO SHE RESORTS TO WIPING IT
HER TEMPERAMENT IS FINE THOUGH
Thank you for grooming me
RIP
In return

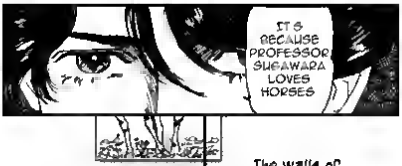
WELL, CALM DOWN. EAT YOUR SANDWICH
IN HORSE SOCIETY, IT'S COMMON TO GROOM IN RETURN FOR BEING GROOMED
WHATEVER YOU SAY - I WON'T BRUSH HER ANYMORE
SHE DOESN'T HAVE BAD INTENT-IONS PROBAB-LY
LISTEN, CHOBI
STOP USING PEOPLE'S SNACKS TO TRAIN YOUR DOG!
BUT IF YOU ARE GIVEN SOME-THING, YOU MAY EAT IT
that's difficult
YOU CAN'T BEG FOR WHAT PEOPLE ARE EATING


EAT!
If you give it to me, I may eat it
If you give it to me
If you give it to me, I may eat it
I FEEL LIKE SHE PUTS ON A NICE ACT TO AVOID BEING SCOLDED, BUT ALL THE WHILE SHE'S MOCKING THE STUDENTS
Yummy!
WRONG! YOUR MIND ISN'T TRAINED ENOUGH
YOUR TRAINING IS FAULTY
HM
SHE SURE SEEMS TO BE INNOCENT AND AFFABLE
ABOUT SERIKA DO YOU REALLY THINK SHE MEANS NO HARM?

IN MOST CASES, IF YOU'RE IS FACING HER, SHE DOESN'T EVEN TRY TO WIPE HER NOSE. DOESN'T THAT PROVE THAT SHE IS TWO-FACED?
IT'S BECAUSE SHE'D MEET RESISTANCE IF SHE DID IT TO A PERSON'S FRONT.
SO WHEN SOMEONE IS DEFENSELESS, SHE AIMS FOR THE BACK
SUCH A NASTY ANIMAL
IT SEEMS TO ME THAT JUST NOW I HEARD YOU SAYING BAD THINGS ABOUT A HORSE
YOU MISHEARD, PROFESSOR SUGAWARA
Professor Sugawara, somewhat resembling an English gentleman, specializes in Veterinary Public Health.
I GO TO SEE SERIKA QUITE OFTEN AS WELL, BUT SHE HAS NEVER WIPED HER NOSE ON ME
NO DOUBT, HORSES KNOW PEOPLE
SNIFF

STOP THAT! PROFESSOR SUGAWARA MIGHT STILL BE NEAR!
SHE DIDN'T WIPE HER NOSE ON PROF SUGAWARA - SO SHE'S BEING NICE TO THE BIG NAMES OF THE SCHOOL.


WHY DO YOU THINK PROFESSOR SUGAWARA, WHO ISN'T EVEN IN CHARGE OF THE DOMESTIC ANIMAL WARD, GOES TO SEE SEPIKA?
WHY?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? WE MIGHT NOT GET CREDIT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH.

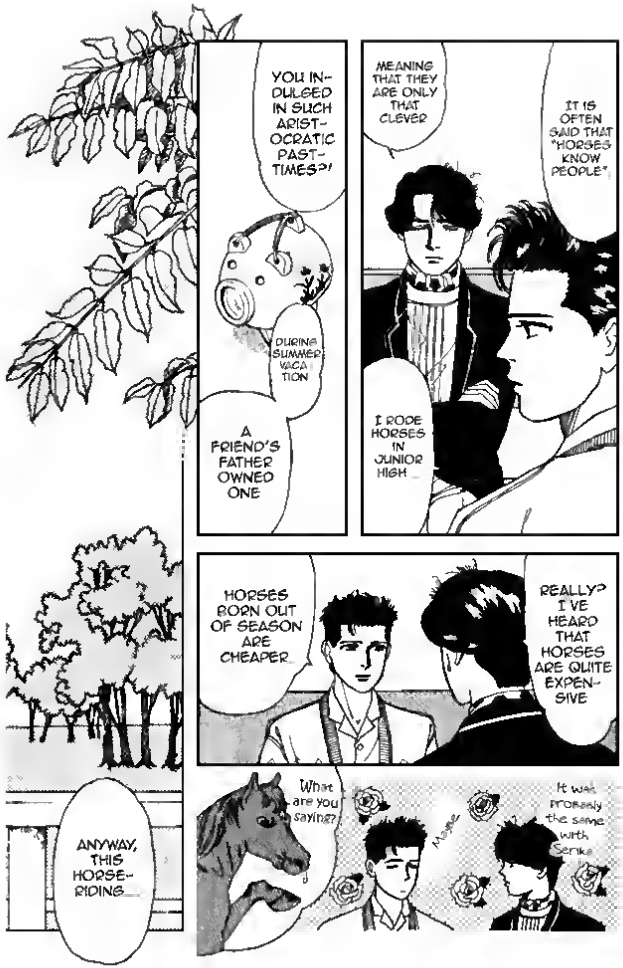


Some assistant professor grades papers according to their weight.

Still, there are various rumors of this kind.

Some ten years ago, a student who happened to speak ill of horses in front of the professor was denied credits, repeated a year, and then was forced to leave the university. His marriage failed, and all of his life afterwards was tainted - or so rumor has it.

The walls of his office are plastered with pictures of horses.


YOU INDULGED IN SUCH ARISTOCRATIC PASTTIMES?!
DURING SUMMER VACATION
A FRIEND'S FATHER OWNED ONE
MEANING THAT THEY ARE ONLY THAT CLEVER
IT IS OFTEN SAID THAT "HORSES KNOW PEOPLE"
I RODE HORSES IN JUNIOR HIGH
HORSES BORN OUT OF SEASON ARE CHEAPER
REALLY? I'VE HEARD THAT HORSES ARE QUITE EXPENSIVE
ANYWAY, THIS HORSE-RIDING...
What are you saying?
Maybe...
It was probably the same with Senka

In the end, it threw Hamuteru off and ran
BAM
While he was riding, the horse got more and more irritated
You suck at riding!
AT THAT TIME, I WEIGHED LESS THAN I DO NOW I THOUGHT THE HORSE WOULD BE HAPPY BECAUSE IT'D BE EASIER, BUT...
MIGHT BE
WASN'T IT MORE LIKE "WHI-HIHI-HIH"?
I MIGHT DISTRUST SERIKA BECAUSE OF THAT EXPERIENCE.
While pretending to stomp on Hamuteru it went
WHEEHEEHEEHEEHEEHEEH
STOMP STOMP STOMP
Then it turned around and came running

SERIKA IS PROBABLY JUST THE INNOCENT, PLAYFUL, RUNNY-NOSED HORSE SHE APPEARS TO BE.
When the professor went to see her I'm guessing that she had just wiped her nose on a student so she didn't have to wipe it anymore.
Still, trouble-making Serika is the popular one when it comes to practicing rectal exams.
Using one arm inserted through the rectum, one feels the internal organs
By feeling the internal organs, illnesses can be diagnosed.
Gloves are worn.
It's also done with cows.
A rectal exam is an internal examination through the rectum.
ROCK-PAPER-SCISSORS
But even with Serika as the subject, one is not completely safe.
Yamabuki
The other horse, Yamabuki, is extremely ferocious, but Serika is tame.

What you can't reach there? Shove your head in too!
Did you feel the right kidney?
Small people (or those with short arms) also face hardship...
The first examiner is in danger of being showered with horse dung...
Damn, I'm first! Unlucky me~
So, while the students were taking turns to perform the rectal exam, Serika's nose started running...
But everyone took care to not to turn their backs to Serika...
HELLO
PERVADING TENSION

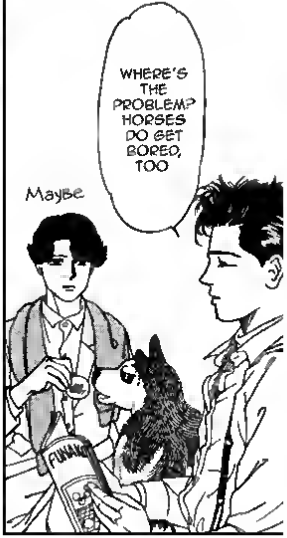
THOUGH SHE'S PUTTING ON A CALM FACE, SHE IS ACTUALLY CALCULATING THE DISTANCE
MAY I TAKE A LOOK?
YOU MAY, BUT...
HIYA SERIKA, HOW ARE YOU?
Fine thank you
BUT ALL THE STUDENTS ARE ON GUARD...
.....
Should I wipe this time even if it's on the front?
Serika is deeply conflicted
BUT SHOULDN'T SERIKA, AS THE VET DEPARTMENT'S HORSE, GIVE HER AFFECTION IMPARTIALLY TO EVERYONE?
THE ONLY ONE WITHIN FIRING RANGE IS PROF. SUGAWARA. BUT SERIKA SEEMS TO HAVE DECIDED NOT TO WIPE HER NOSE ON THE PROFESSOR

PROFES-SOR! THIS YEAR'S FIRST BUTTER-FLY!
WHAT'S THAT? JUST A BIRD'S FEATH-ER...
.....
Conditioned reflex action when seeing a back.
ZOOM
SIGH
IT'S OKAY. THE PRO-FESSOR IS AN ENGLISH GENTLE-MAN, SO HE WON'T TAKE IT PERSON-ALLY
?
HAMUTERU! WHAT ARE YOU DOING, DESTROYING THE PROFESSOR'S HONOR? DON'T YOU WANT A GRADUATION DIPLOMA?

NO, IT'S JUST THAT I STILL HAVE MUCH TO LEARN...
WHAT HAPPENED, SERIKA? DID YOU MISTAKE ME FOR SOMEONE ELSE?
SLOSH
SUCH A PITY IT MUST BE SHOCKING HE MAY ABSOLUTELY DISLIKE HORSES NOW
This said, and with the sad smile of an English gentleman fallen off his horse, Professor Sugawara left.
If you don't give me the rice cracker, I'll eat you instead
西根
Sign Nishine
ISN'T SHE JUST WATCHING?
She's looking like that, right? Right?
HAMUTERU! TEACH CHOBI TO TURN HER BACK WHEN GUESTS ARE EATING!
BUT THOSE EYES ARE SCARY!
STILL, SERIKA WAS JUST MOCKING STUDENTS OUT OF BOREDOM.

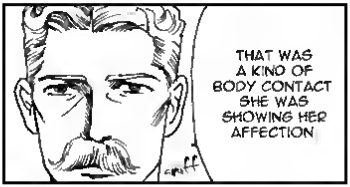
Let me re-turn
NO NEED
After that, the mental battle between Senka and the students went on.
But

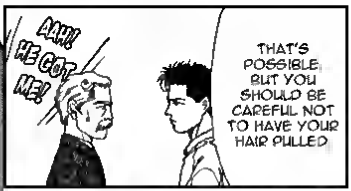
BUT I DON'T LIKE TO HAVE MY HAIR RIPPED OUT BY HER


WHERE'S THE PROBLEM? HORSES DO GET BORED, TOO
Maybe

Hello!
Even though he was betrayed by Senka, Professor Sugawara's love of horses didn't diminish

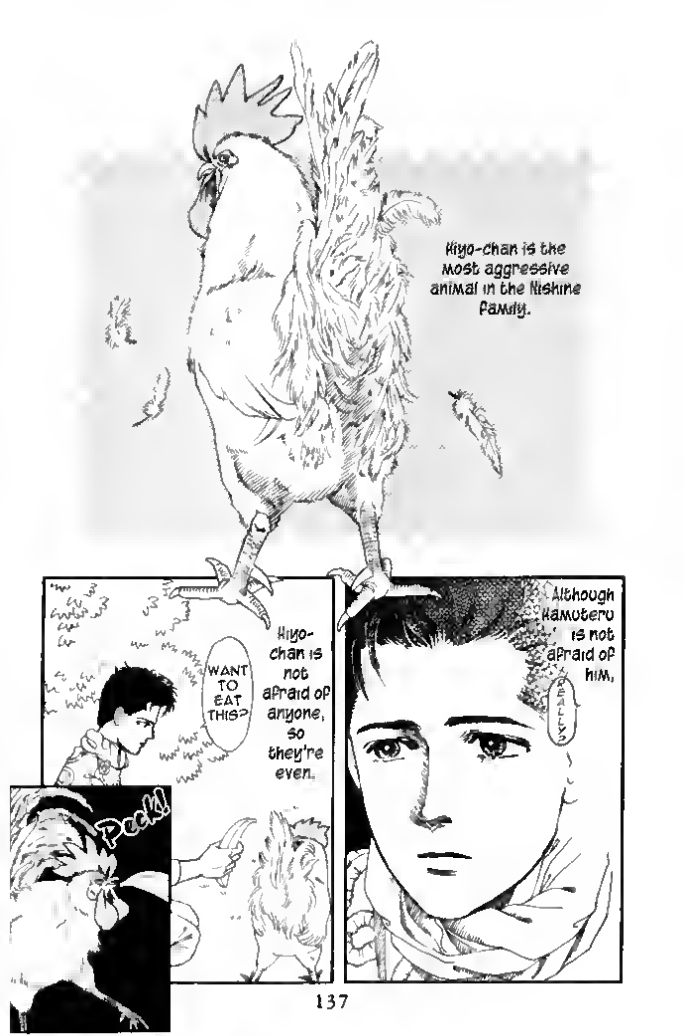
Senka is happy playing with the students.
DRIP


THAT WAS A KIND OF BODY CONTACT SHE WAS SHOWING HER AFFECTION


AAH! HE GOT ME!
THAT'S POSSIBLE, BUT YOU SHOULD BE CAREFUL NOT TO HAVE YOUR HAIR PULLED

bald

動物(どうぶつ)のお医者(いしゃ)さん


Hiyo-chan is the most aggressive animal in the Nishina family.
Hiyo-chan is not afraid of anyone, so they're even.
WANT TO EAT THIS?
Peck!
Although Kamoteru is not afraid of him,
really?

When Hiyo-chan was still a chick, Hamuteru used a hot water bottle to keep him warm

CLUCK CLUCK CLUCK

.....

Peek Peek Peek

Based on value alone, Hiyo-chan cannot be compared to the four chickens the Takada Family

Takada family

Underground sewer

The neglected badger of Hamuteru's house

Hamuteru's house

These facts obviously mean nothing to him.

Let me eat something else cool

I want money

60 yen was spent to buy him, one-tenth the price of a hen. He was even cheaper than his feed now.

The Takada family bought them as fertilized eggs three years ago at the price of three hundred yen for six.

But because only four hatched, they are actually more expensive than Hiyo-chan

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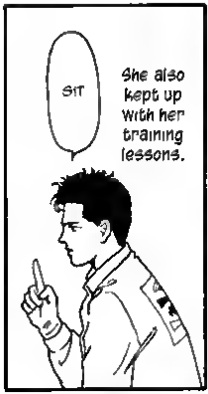
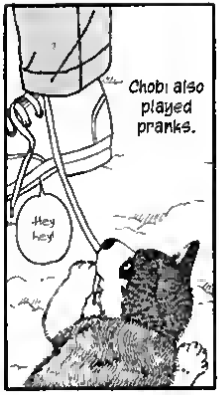
It wasn't until recently that Hamutaro learned where their names came from. Ken means "dangerous", Kyou means "Pierce"
REGARDLESS OF WHICH FAMILY'S CHICKENS THEY'RE ALL
Their names are Ken-san, Kyou-san, Ponta-chan, and Julietta.
CHOBI, COME HERE
I wasn't calling you
REALLY?
HIYO-CHAN'S EATING NOW, SO IT'S ALL RIGHT

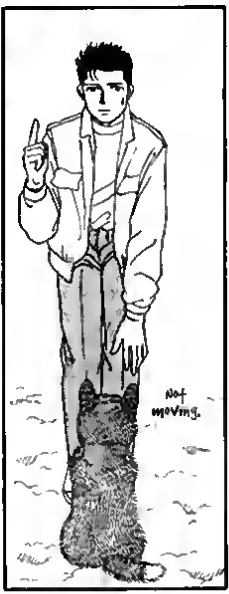
T/N Okara is bean curd Nikaido is teasing Masaki because Nishine family feeds Hiyo and Chobi Okara, which is very cheap

THEY BOTH EAT FROM THE SAME OKARA BOWL, YET HE CAN DO THAT TO SUCH AN ADORABLE CHOBI...
Our pets' meal choice is none of your business.
BUT THERE IS A GOOD REASON FOR CHOBI TO BE AFRAID OF HIYO-CHAN. SHE PROBABLY REMEMBERS HOW AWFUL IT WAS TO BE PECKED
CHOBI, YOU'RE ALREADY GROWN UP, YOU OUGHTN'T BE SCARED OF HIM ANYMORE
YOU'RE STRONGER NOW, AND CAN SEND HIYO-CHAN TO THE NEXT WORLD WITH ONE BITE.
It happened two years ago in winter,
But I don't want to.
IF MIKE WISHED SHE COULD PROBABLY DEFEAT HIYO-CHAN
although the prey may be too big for her
a failed plan to overthrow the ruling power
The number of gerbils
has increased
and no one is willing to admit from anymore
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU GUYS, SO JUST TAKE IT EASY

AH, CHOBI, YOU'RE HELPING TO DIG TOO
Hamutaro was up then, building snow houses for fun because he wasn't concerned with the university entrance exams.
CHOBI, LET'S BUILD A SNOW HOUSE!
Chobi has always been smart.
WHATEVER, AS LONG AS YOU'RE HAPPY
TREATING IT AS A TUNNEL
A little bigger
I should be able to come out sideways
Yeah, I made it out!







She could understand one half of the command "Fetch something quickly."

NO
IS THERE ANYTHING SUITABLE?
SURE, BUT DON'T THROW SOMETHING TOO VALUABLE FOR HER TO FETCH
CAN I TRY TOO?
HEY, FETCH!
IT'S ALL RIGHT IF YOU LEAVE SOME TEETH MARKS.
RUNNING
GOOD. BITE IT AND BRING IT BACK!

RUNS OFF
HEY! WHERE'RE YOU GOING!
STOP AND TURN
RUNNING
RUNNING
Although Chobi didn't want to, she returned it anyway.
.....
CHOBI! THAT'S NOT FOR YOU, IT'S ONLY ON LOAN! GIVE IT BACK!

Although no blood had been shed, it was only because of the effort put in by everyone.
Being careful and keeping a distance, taking advantage of the right time.
Well, everyone, including the pets in the Nishine family, had been putting up with Kiyo-chan's bad temper for a long time.
TYRANT
So she hid everything that Hamuteru threw for her to fetch in the backyard.
Basically, Chobi thought that as long as she picked it up, it was hers.
Although they don't say it, Hamuteru and his grandma think it
CHOBI WILL GROW UP BIG.
Big and rough paws mean that she will have a strong build.
But ever since Chobi was taken in by the Nishine family, everyone held some expectations of her

When Chobi just arrived, her health was poor and she had blood in her stool. After being completely cured at the K university-affiliated veterinary hospital, she has been growing stronger and bigger steadily.
FAMOUS DOCTOR
THE DAY OF A TRANSFER OF POWER IS NEARING!
They're both thinking this
BUT CHOBI HAS A GENTLE AND COMPOSED DEMEANOR COMPLETELY OPPOSITE OF HOW SHE APPEARS
I WONDER IF SHE CAN PREVAIL OVER HIYO-CHAN AND BECOME THE LEADER
ADVISOR
IF SHE DOESN'T SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY, SHE MIGHT NEVER MAKE IT...

One day, some of the objects that Chobi had hidden in the backyard were stolen.
But only objects that were shiny and valuable were taken, so only useless things were left in Chobi's treasures
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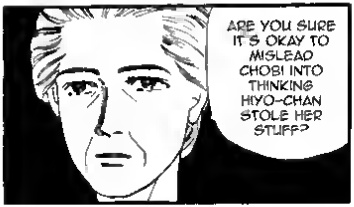
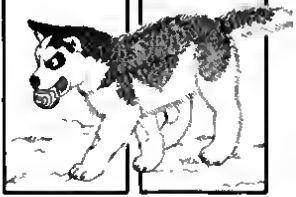
There were footprints at the scene of crime



But while Chobi went back inside the house, the more valuable objects were stolen again.

So Chobi changed her hiding place for her belongings.

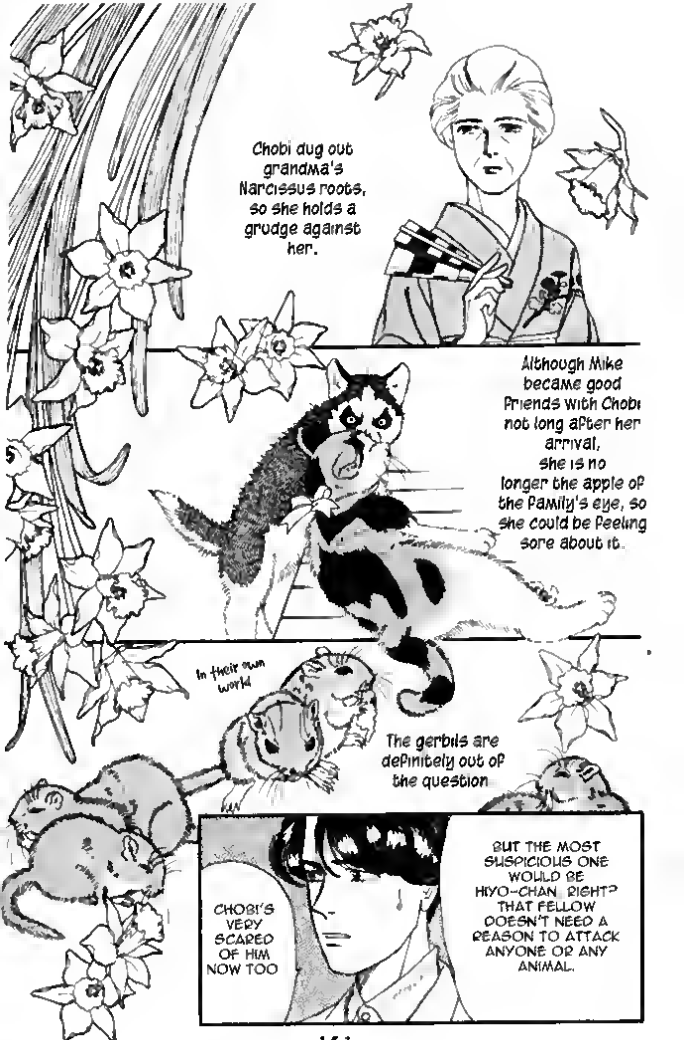


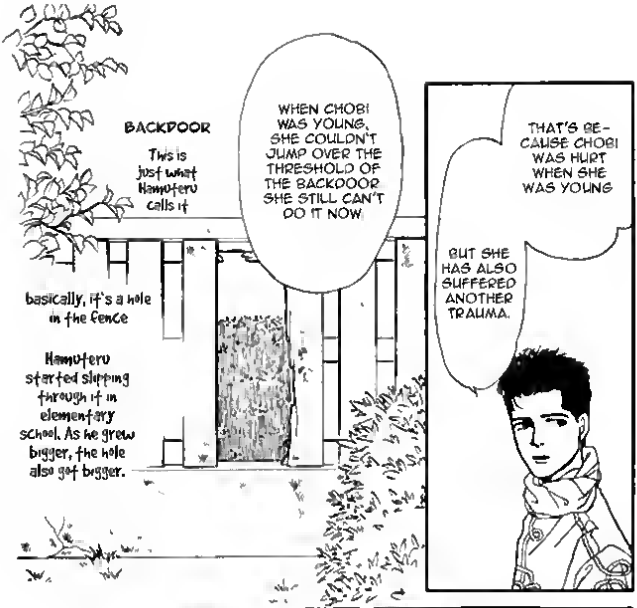
A few days later, the outcome of the battle was decided.

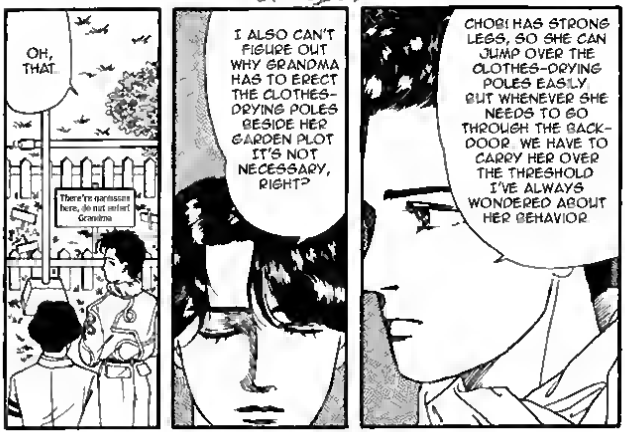
Therefore, the tension between Chobi and Hiyo-chan increased gradually.

The plan to overthrow Hiyo-chan Failed.
YOU LOST...
Whine
Hiyo-chan also lost some feathers, but it was clear who the victor and loser were.
VERY DISAPPOINTED
FROM THEN ON, CHOBI DISLIKED ALL CHICKENS, NOT ONLY HIYO-CHAN.
HAMUTERU, YOU...

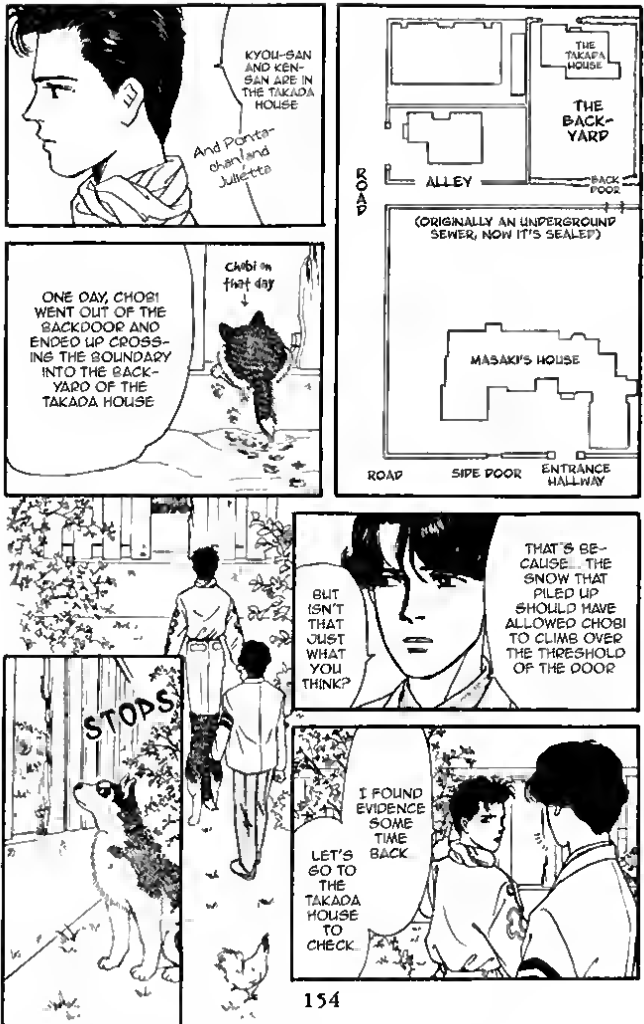
I DIDN'T DO THAT
A chicken's footprints
Print Print Print
YOU HAVE TO BEAR HALF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHOBI'S INJURIES!
YOU LIED TO CHOBI BECAUSE YOU WANTED TO INCITE A WAR?!
After all you both eat from the same bowl!
She's only a child. You have no mercy!
HIYO-CHAN IS SO PITIFUL, NO ONE LIKED HIM ANYMORE SINCE THEN
OF COURSE!
THEY LOVE SHINY OBJECTS THE MOST
I just didn't tell Chobi about that.
You surrender all fellow
THE ONES WHO CAME OUT ON TOP WERE THE CROWS
WHO CAN IT BE...
IF IT WASN'T HIYO-CHAN, WHO ELSE COULD IT BE?
BUT THE ONE WHO FOUGHT WITH CHOBI COULDN'T BE HIYO-CHAN...
IF WE CONSIDER WHO HAD THE MOTIVE...
I CAN'T HELP THINKING THAT


Chobi dug out grandma's Narcissus roots, so she holds a grudge against her.
Although Mike became good friends with Chobi not long after her arrival, she is no longer the apple of the family's eye, so she could be feeling sore about it.
In their own world
The gerbils are definitely out of the question
CHOBI'S VERY SCARED OF HIM NOW TOO
BUT THE MOST SUSPICIOUS ONE WOULD BE HIYO-CHAN, RIGHT? THAT FELLOW DOESN'T NEED A REASON TO ATTACK ANYONE OR ANY ANIMAL.


BACKDOOR
This is just what Hamuteru calls it
basically, it's a hole in the fence
Hamuteru started slipping through it in elementary school. As he grew bigger, the hole also got bigger.
WHEN CHOBI WAS YOUNG, SHE COULDN'T JUMP OVER THE THRESHOLD OF THE BACKDOOR SHE STILL CAN'T DO IT NOW
THAT'S BECAUSE CHOBI WAS HURT WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG
BUT SHE HAS ALSO SUFFERED ANOTHER TRAUMA.


OH, THAT
There're narcissus here, do not enter! Grandma
I ALSO CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY GRANDMA HAS TO ERECT THE CLOTHES-DRYING POLES BESIDE HER GARDEN PLOT IT'S NOT NECESSARY, RIGHT?
CHOBI HAS STRONG LEGS, SO SHE CAN JUMP OVER THE CLOTHES-DRYING POLES EASILY BUT WHENEVER SHE NEEDS TO GO THROUGH THE BACK-DOOR, WE HAVE TO CARRY HER OVER THE THRESHOLD I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED ABOUT HER BEHAVIOR

OF COURSE, THE INITIAL REASON TO FENCE IT OFF WAS TO PREVENT CHOBI FROM ENTERING
YOU WON'T STEP ON THE GARDEN PLOT THAT WAY
LAND!
YOU NEED SOME DISTANCE TO JUMP OVER SUCH A HEIGHT
ANYWAY, SHE COULDN'T JUMP OVER THE POLE AT FIRST BUT LATER SHE COULD
BUT, SHE CAN'T DO THE SAME THING WITH THE BACK-DOOR THRESH-OLD
Like a ninja who trains everyday, Chobi became as light as a feather on her feet
BUT AS CHOBI GREW BIGGER THE FENCE BECAME USE-LESS
SHE CAN JUMP OVER NO MATTER HOW HIGH
THE ROUTE FROM THE BACKDOOR LEADS STRAIGHT TO THE YARD OF THE TAKADA FAMILY


KYOU-SAN AND KEN-SAN ARE IN THE TAKADA HOUSE
And Ponta-chan and Juliette
THE TAKADA HOUSE
THE BACK-YARD
ALLEY
BACK DOOR
ROAD
(ORIGINALLY AN UNDERGROUND SEWER, NOW IT'S SEALED)
MASAKI'S HOUSE
ROAD
SIDE DOOR
ENTRANCE HALLWAY
ONE DAY, CHOBI WENT OUT OF THE BACKDOOR AND ENDED UP CROSSING THE BOUNDARY INTO THE BACK-YARD OF THE TAKADA HOUSE
Chobi on that day
BUT ISN'T THAT JUST WHAT YOU THINK?
THAT'S BECAUSE THE SNOW THAT PILED UP SHOULD HAVE ALLOWED CHOBI TO CLIMB OVER THE THRESHOLD OF THE DOOR
STOPS
I FOUND EVIDENCE SOME TIME BACK
LET'S GO TO THE TAKADA HOUSE TO CHECK

Don't be afraid, Chobi
But, don't get any fatter.

CHOBI SEEMS TO THINK THAT IF SHE CROSSES OVER THE BACKDOOR, SOMETHING BAD WILL HAPPEN...
HOIST

THAT DIRTY BALL IS...

THAT'S RIGHT, IT'S CHOBI'S TRE...SURE.

LOOK, BESIDE THE SHED...

SHE ENDED UP ENTERING INTO OTHER PEOPLE'S PROPERTY
CHOBI THOUGHT THERE WAS A THIEF, SO SHE HID HER BELONGINGS FURTHER AND FURTHER AWAY.
After two years, this dirty old ball revealed what had happened
CHOBI HAS BEEN IN THIS BACK-YARD BEFORE
THEN SHE MET THE FIERCE AND DANGER-OUS CHICKENS
Ponta
CLUCK
HMPH
CLUCK CLUCK CLUCK
CHOBI, YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUN AWAY!
CLUCK
CLUCK
CLUCK

Nikuiboy, don't run away!
DON'T DO THIS, HIYO-CHAN!
Flap Flap Flap
CLUCK CLUCK CLUCK
DON'T CAUSE TROUBLE IN OTHER PEOPLE'S HOUSES!
SO, HIYO-CHAN HELPED CHOBI?
ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO, HIYO-CHAN ALSO JOINED IN THE FIGHT
THAT'S WHY HE LOST FEATHERS.
BUT I BELIEVE HIYO-CHAN MUST HAVE MADE IT A DIFFICULT FIGHT FOR HIS OPPONENTS
NO,
HE JUST LIKES TO FIGHT
Saying it resolutely
THE PET OWNER'S CONFIDENCE

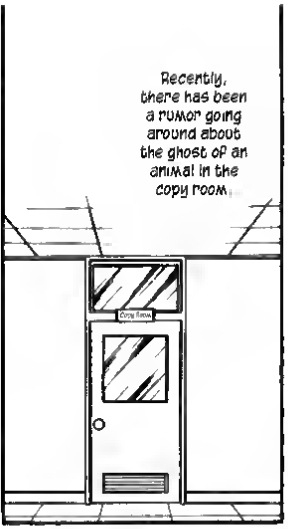
OKAY— SO CHOBI DOES NOT DISLIKE CHICKENS BECAUSE SHE'S SCARED OF HIYO-CHAN,
IT'S BECAUSE OF THE OTHER CHICKENS THAT SHE HAS BECOME WARY OF HIYO-CHAN
Uhm, but it's not entirely because of that
HIYO-CHAN IS AGGRESSIVE INDEED, BUT HE WOULDN'T BE LIKE THE TAKADA FAMILY'S CHICKENS AND ATTACK CHOBI SO MERCILESSLY
NO MATTER WHAT, THEY'RE IN THE SAME FAMILY HE WOULDN T BE SO CRUEL.
HIYO-CHAN IS ALMOST FULL, NIKAIDOU BE CAREFUL.
EH?
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD

An Earth worm!
Striding along with head held high
Step
CRAZILY KICKING
Striding along with head held high
WE FOUND THAT HIYO-CHAN'S BULLYING OF CHOBI TWO YEARS AGO WAS ALL A MISUNDER-STANDING
HE'S STILL THE SAME VIOLENT ROOSTER
BUT, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

Despite being misjudged and disliked by others, Hiyo-chan is still as fierce and violent as ever.

動物のお医者さん

Right now, Nikaidou is in that very room by himself, copying Hamuteru's lecture notes

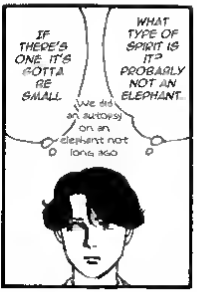


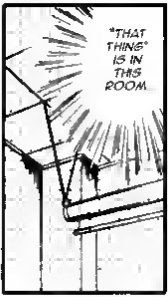
Recently, there has been a rumor going around about the ghost of an animal in the copy room.

because he came down with a cold and missed classes for a week.

Nikaidou isn't afraid of ghosts or spirits

What he fears is


IF THERE'S ONE, IT'S GOTTA BE SMALL
(we did an autopsy) on an elephant not long ago
WHAT TYPE OF SPIRIT IS IT? PROBABLY NOT AN ELEPHANT.



But at that moment, Nikaidou's eyes stumbled upon evidence of a living creature residing in the room

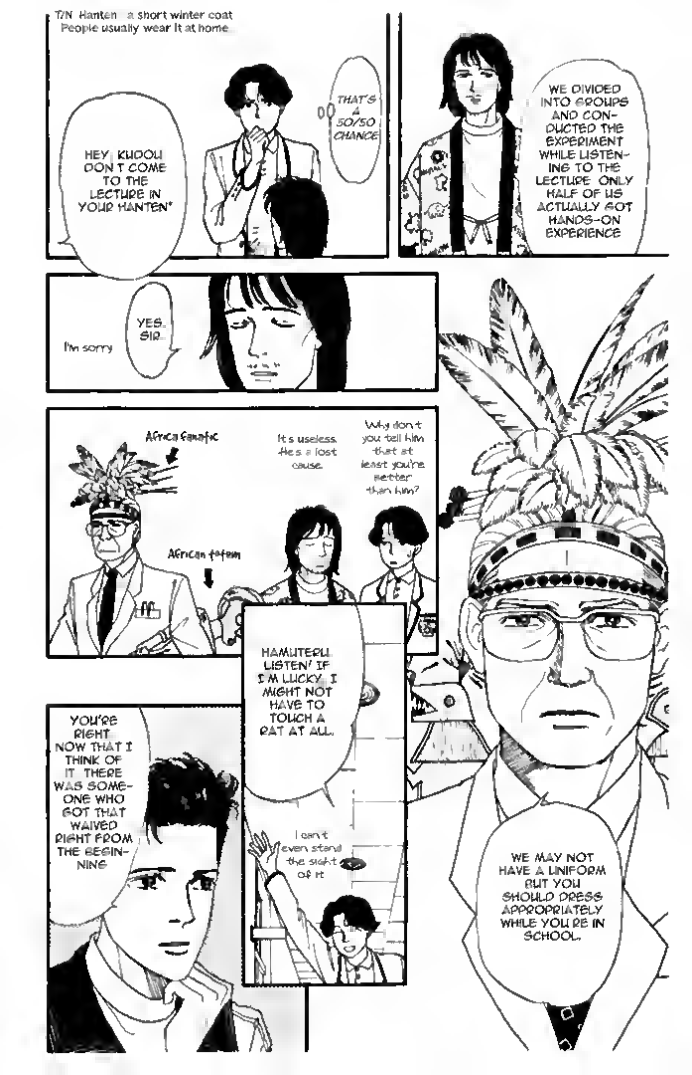
I THINK I HEARD SOMEONE SCREAMING HIS HEAD OFF JUST NOW...
However, people usually can't help looking at things they don't want to see
CALM DOWN.
EYES ON THE DOOR AND GET OUT QUICK
gnaw gnaw
gnaw gnaw
OH, CUT...
IT SOUNDED LIKE IT CAME FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE COPY ROOM
I DOUBT IT THE COPY ROOM IS ON THE THIRD FLOOR

LET'S GO CHECK THE COPY ROOM CHOR!
Yams!
A ultrasonic call from a yam seller
And bats will come to buy yams.
YAMS
Pii
HISHINUMA-SAN, MAYBE YOU CAN HEAR THINGS THAT NORMAL PEOPLE CAN'T
AH, AN ULTRA-SONIC CALL FROM A YAM SELLER
Even though you're a cold-blooded animal
BUT BATS CAN HEAR IT.
Yams, roasted yams!
ULTRASONIC FREQUENCY IS HIGHER THAN WHAT THE HUMAN EAR CAN HEAR, YOU KNOW
I THOUGHT THERE WAS ONE IN THIS ROOM THREE DAYS AGO BUT NOBODY FOUND IT
Flail
Flail
HE FAINTED AGAIN HOW PEACEFUL.
AH A SERBIL.
OUT COLD
UNTIL THE PERSON WHO HATES THEM THE MOST DID

Rats are much bigger sized than gerbils and look more like Mundae
Rat
Gerbil
Pukey
EHP RATS?
YOU CAN'T EVEN STAND ONE GERBIL. WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO? WE'LL USE BIG RATS IN THE PARASITOLOGY EXPERIMENT
Adhesive tape
.....
Exhibit 339 How to inject a rat
PIOP
SHOULD I SKIP? BUT I MISSED A LOT OF CLASSES WHEN I HAD A COLD..
YOU ENTERED A VETERINARY SCHOOL BUT YOU'RE AVOIDING RATS HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GRADUATE AT THIS RATE? YOU EVEN TAPED THE PAGES WITH PICTURES OF RATS IN YOUR TEXTBOOK TOGETHER
I'm a squirrel My tail was shaved

T/N Mundae are the family that gerbils and rats belong to in the order Rodentia

PA-THETIC
TOTAL SELF-DELUSION.
Surgery for animals
What're we gonna do with this genius?
What're you gonna do during the experiment?
It can't be helped
After he learns that he needs to use rats in the experiment, Nikaidou is dead worried
I'LL GO ASK A SENPAI HOW THEY DID THE EXPERIMENT LAST YEAR
REALLY?
OH, NOT EVERYONE HAS TO DO IT


T/N Hanten : a short winter coat
People usually wear it at home.
HEY, KUDOU! DON'T COME TO THE LECTURE IN YOUR HANTEN*
THAT'S A 50/50 CHANCE
WE DIVIDED INTO GROUPS AND CONDUCTED THE EXPERIMENT WHILE LISTENING TO THE LECTURE. ONLY HALF OF US ACTUALLY GOT HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE
I'm sorry
YES, SIR.
African fanatic
African fatum
It's useless. He's a lost cause.
Why don't you tell him that at least you're better than him?
HAMUTEPU! LISTEN! IF I'M LUCKY, I MIGHT NOT HAVE TO TOUCH A RAT AT ALL.
I can't even stand the sight of it!
YOU'RE RIGHT NOW THAT I THINK OF IT. THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO GOT THAT WAIVED RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING
WE MAY NOT HAVE A UNIFORM BUT YOU SHOULD DRESS APPROPRIATELY WHILE YOU'RE IN SCHOOL.

FOR SOMEONE WITH AN ALLERGY, BEING IN THE SAME ROOM WITH A RAT WILL ACTIVATE THE SYMPTOMS EVEN THOUGH SHE DOESN'T KNOW IT
The room with a rat in it
YOU DON'T
SO DO I!
WHO?!
TSUJI -SAN
I HEARD SHE'S GOT A RAT ALLERGY
Meanwhile, Hishinuma-san is on a 3,000-league quest to find the mommy of the copy room's gerbil.
gulp
THIS IS COMPARED TO YOU, WHO WAS LEISURELY EATING A RICE BALL IN THE COPY ROOM
AND WHEN YOU WERE OUT COLD THE RATS COULD HAVE PARADED ON YOUR FACE
but you were fine
Flail
Flail
Dept. of Pharmacology
OUR DEPARTMENT HASN'T USED GERBILS FOR TEN YEARS NOW
THE PARASITES MAY HAVE RAISED THEM?
WHEN THEY LEAVE OUT THE WORDS "-OLOGY DEPARTMENT" IT DOESN'T SOUND GOOD
Noooo!
I've gotta wash my face
THE ONLY "DISORDER" YOU HAVE IS COWARDICE

Our aerials are Akira and Zion.
Both male.
DEFINITELY NOT ONE OF OURS.
Flail
Flail
Dept of Physiology
WE DON'T KEEP ANY
Dept of Radiology
Flail
Flail
NONE OF OURS ARE MISSING.
Dept of Parasitology
Flail
flail
Tired
THIS IS EXHAUSTING
SEE YOU TOMORROW WE'LL FIND YOUR MOM FOR SURE.
gnaw gnaw
HERE EAT
LET'S TRY AGAIN TOMORROW I'M GOING HOME

WHO LEFT FOOD AROUND LIKE THIS? MUST BE HISHINUMA-KUN
BAM
"PROFESSOR SUGAWARA ARE YOU HERE?
THEY MUST BE CONDUCTING AN EXPERIMENT WITH RATS OR MICE IN THERE
HE'S TEACHING THE 4TH YEAR STUDENTS RIGHT NOW IN THE PARASITOLOGY LAB
IS THERE A WAY TO CONVINCE AKIYAMA-SENSEI OF THE PARASITOLOGY DEPARTMENT THAT I'M ALLERGIC TO RATS?

DO YOU HAVE AN ALLERGY?
I GUESS
OF RABBITS I SEE
BLOW
Achoo!
Achoo!
Parasitology Lab
SENSEI I HAVE A QUES-TION—
Achoo!
I UNDERSTAND YOU DON T HAVE TO HATE THEM TO HAVE AN ALLERGY I'LL EXCUSE YOU FROM CLASSES WITH RABBIT EXPERIMENTS
NO SIR I DON'T HATE OR HAVE ANY PROB-LEM WITH RABBITS
NOW WHAT S YOUR QUES-TION?
HUH?
THEY'RE USING RABBITS IN THE EXPERI-MENT TODAY?!
Idiot.
I'VE MADE THINGS WORSE---
I FOR-GOT SIR.

SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE
SHAKE SHAKE
Nikaidou's hunch is spot on.
The next day is the parasitology lab.
Ack!
WHEN IT LOOKS NAUSEATED AND ABOUT TO PUKE
Trying not to focus his eyes on the rats
SPLASH
SHOOT THE MEDICINE IN ITS MOUTH
HOLD THE RAT LIKE THIS AND SHAKE IT AROUND
Now go do your experiments...
But even such a simple task puts Nikaidou in acute misery.
THAT EASY
THAT EASY?

I KNEW IT
YOU CAN'T EXPERIMENT WITH RABBITS TRY TO GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE TODAY WITH THE RATS INSTEAD
But that hope was short-lived...
However, with only three rats for each group of five students, Nikaidou began to see a flicker of hope...
STARTLE
YOU MAY BEGIN
IT MAY SOUND PATHETIC, BUT COULD YOU PLEASE PRETEND TO BE ANOTHER KIND OF ANIMAL?
AT ANY ANGLE, IT'S A LOATH-SOME RAT
JUMP
IT'S A GERBIL
THIS IS NOT A GERBIL OR A RAT IT'S A SQUIRREL. LOOK AT ITS BROWN FUR AND FLUFFY TAIL LOOK AT ITS SMILING FACE
.....
NIKAIDOU, LISTEN CARE-FULLY

SENSEI I'LL USE A SQUIRREL INSTEAD
SO GO AHEAD, YOU CAN TOUCH IT
SHAKE SHAKE
SHAKE SHAKE
WELL... WE'RE SHORT ON RATS ANYWAY
OKAY
DASH
GEEZ, IT HASN'T OPENED ITS MOUTH YET
SPLASH
I have medicine in my nose
.....
PLOP
SENSEI PERMISSION TO GO TO THE BATHROOM SIR

Nikaidou washed his hands in the bathroom
W.C
Even though his hands were freezing and numb,
He continued to wash
As for that gerbil, Nishinuma-san and Hamuteru found its owner after a considerable amount of effort.
NIKAIDOU, THE GERBIL YOU FAINTED ON
BELONGS TO (THE DEPARTMENT OF) EPIDEMIOLOGY
EPIDEMIOLOGY!!!!
Afterward, Nidaidou ran to wash his hands a second time.
I TELL YOU IT DOESN'T HAVE A DISEASE!
IT'S ALRIGHT NIKAIDOU

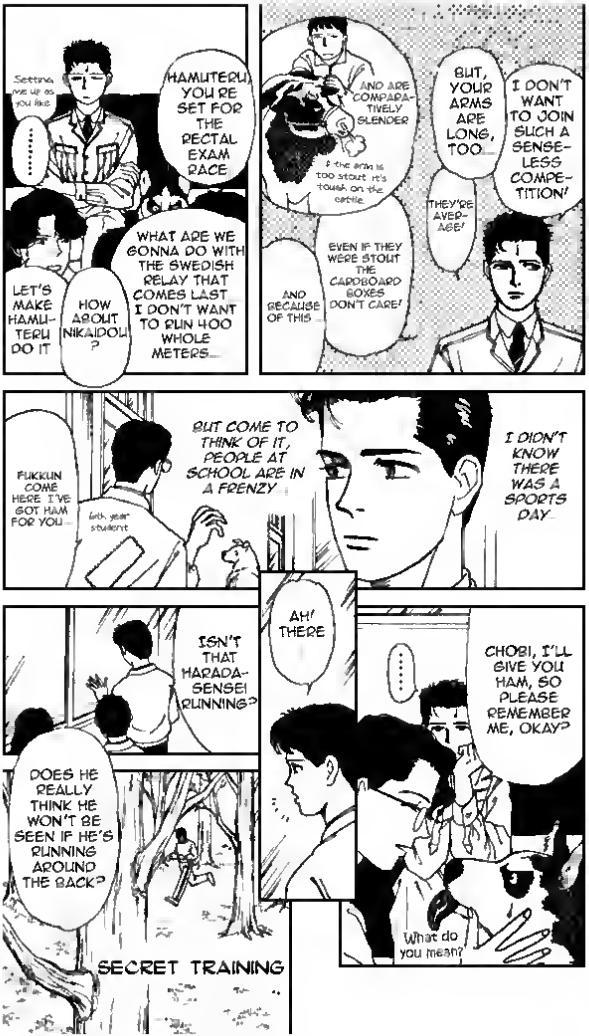
どうぶつ
動物の
お医者
いしゃ
さん

While Hamuteru was making copies, he came across a strange object.

Nikaidou didn't want to enter the copy room because there were mice. So he asked Hamuteru.

I'll treat you to a lunch set at Elm!

Foe!
What's up with you?
HAMUTERU, YOU'RE THE FOE, I WON'T SAY ANY MORE
WHAT RECTAL EXAM RACE?
the 3rd year students
SO WHAT I THOUGHT TO BE DIRT WAS ACTUALLY MEANT TO BE COW SPOTS
IF THERE IS A RECTAL EXAM RACE, THIS BOX MUST BE THE COW'S RUMP
I SUPPOSE IT'LL BE USED FOR THE SPORTS DAY NEXT SUNDAY
Rectal examination means inserting one's arms into the rectum to feel the internal organs and diagnose illnesses. It is done with cows and horses.
ALL OF A SUDDEN
I'LL DO THE SAKE DRINKING RELAY!
I TAKE THE HORSE RACE!
BORROWING CONTEST!
HAMUTERU, YOU'LL DO THE RECTAL EXAM RACE
THERE'S A SPORTS DAY?!
THE PROGRAM'S OUT! PICK YOUR EVENTS, THEY SAY


Setting me up as you like
HAMUTERU, YOU'RE SET FOR THE RECTAL EXAM RACE
WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO WITH THE SWEDISH RELAY THAT COMES LAST I DON'T WANT TO RUN 400 WHOLE METERS...
HOW ABOUT NIKAIDOU?
LET'S MAKE HAMUTERU DO IT
AND ARE COMPARATIVELY SLENDER
If the arm is too short it's tough on the cattle
BUT, YOUR ARMS ARE LONG, TOO...
I DON'T WANT TO JOIN SUCH A SENSELESS COMPETITION!
THEY'RE AVERAGE!
EVEN IF THEY WERE STOUT THE CARDBOARD BOXES DON'T CARE!
AND BECAUSE OF THIS...
FUKKUN COME HERE. I'VE GOT HAM FOR YOU...
both, your students
BUT COME TO THINK OF IT, PEOPLE AT SCHOOL ARE IN A FRENZY
I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A SPORTS DAY
ISN'T THAT HARADA-SENSEI RUNNING?
AH! THERE
CHOBI, I'LL GIVE YOU HAM, SO PLEASE REMEMBER ME, OKAY?
What do you mean?
DOES HE REALLY THINK HE WON'T BE SEEN IF HE'S RUNNING AROUND THE BACK?
SECRET TRAINING

SO THAT PROFESSOR IS TAKING PART, TOO...
Probably meant to be running
IS THAT RUNNING?
AH! THAT...
While there are people who are not very interested in sports days and the like, there are those who go for it very seriously...
Hamuteru is a typical example of the former,
And Prof. Urushihara is a typical example of the latter...
I WON'T SLOW MY PACE FOR YOU IN THE PACE!
WIN AGAINST THE 3RD YEAR'S TEAM!!!
UNDERSTOOD? THE TEACHER'S TEAM WILL DEFINITELY
DECLARATION OF WAR
HEY, YOU! CAN YOU AFFORD TO STAND BY AND WATCH LEISURELY?
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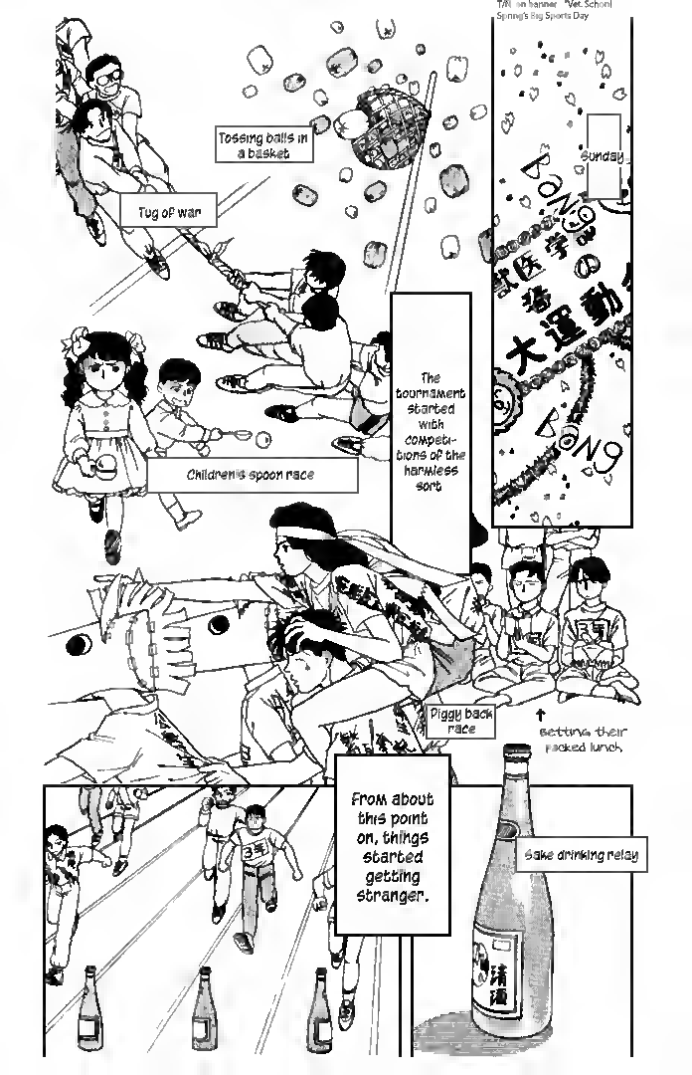
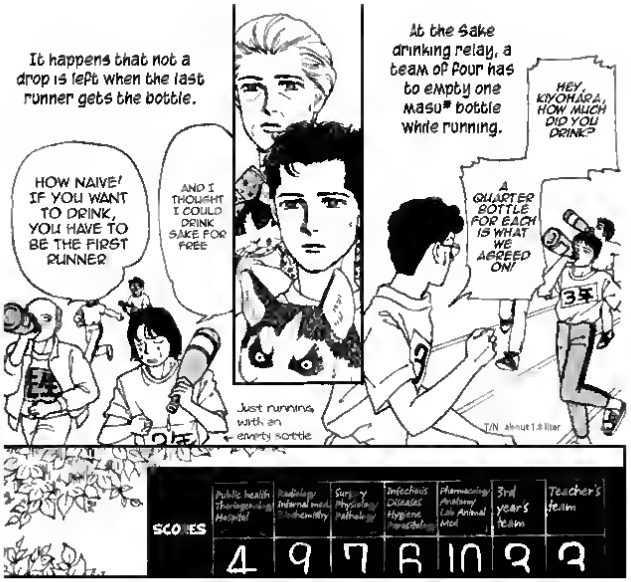
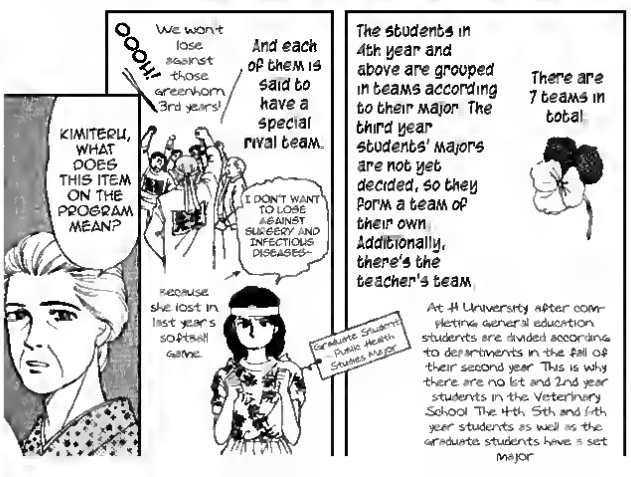
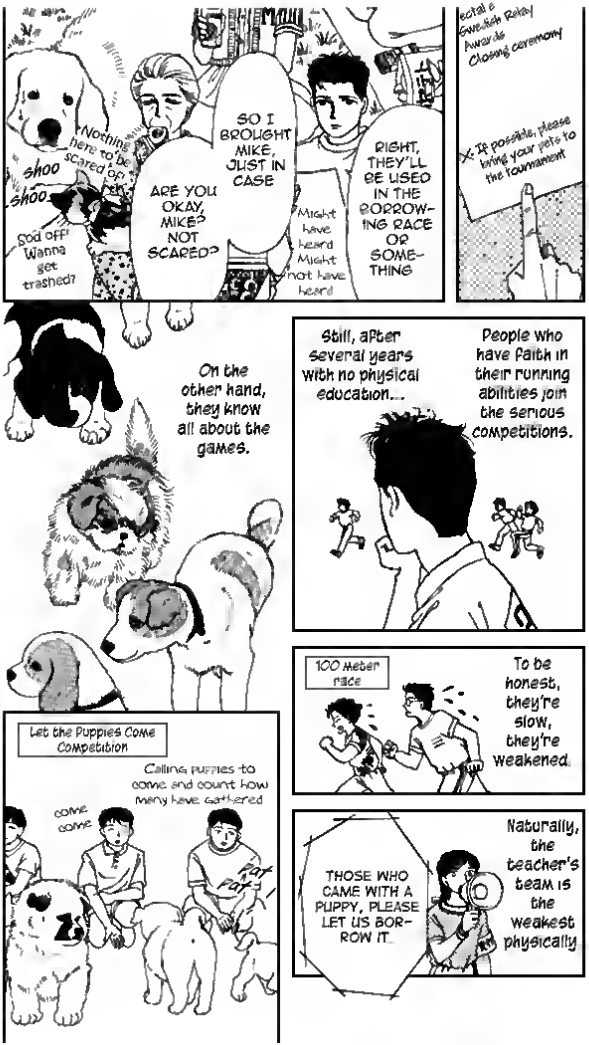

T/N: on banner: "Vet. School Spring's Big Sports Day"
Sunday
BANG
BONG
Tossing balls in a basket
Tug of war
The tournament started with competitions of the harmless sort
Children's spoon race
Piggy back race
Getting their packed lunch
From about this point on, things started getting stranger.
Sake drinking relay


It happens that not a drop is left when the last runner gets the bottle.
HOW NAIVE! IF YOU WANT TO DRINK, YOU HAVE TO BE THE FIRST RUNNER
AND I THOUGHT I COULD DRINK SAKE FOR FREE
Just running with an empty bottle
At the sake drinking relay, a team of four has to empty one masu* bottle while running.
HEY, KIYOHARA, HOW MUCH DID YOU DRINK?
A QUARTER BOTTLE FOR EACH IS WHAT WE AGREED ON!
T/N about 1.8 liter
SCORES
Public health Thoracic surgery Hospital
Radiology Internal med. Biochemistry
Surgery Physiology Pathology
Infectious Diseases Hygiene Parasitology
Pharmacology Anatomy Lab Animal Med
3rd years Team
Teacher's Team
4 9 7 6 10 3 3


KIMITERU, WHAT DOES THIS ITEM ON THE PROGRAM MEAN?
OOOH!!
We won't lose against those greenhorn 3rd years!
And each of them is said to have a special rival team.
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE AGAINST SURGERY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES-
Because she lost in last year's softball game.
Graduate Students Public Health Studies Major
The students in 4th year and above are grouped in teams according to their major. The third year students' majors are not yet decided, so they form a team of their own. Additionally, there's the teacher's team.
There are 7 teams in total.
At H University after completing general education, students are divided according to departments in the fall of their second year. This is why there are no 1st and 2nd year students in the Veterinary School. The 4th, 5th and 6th year students as well as the graduate students have a set major

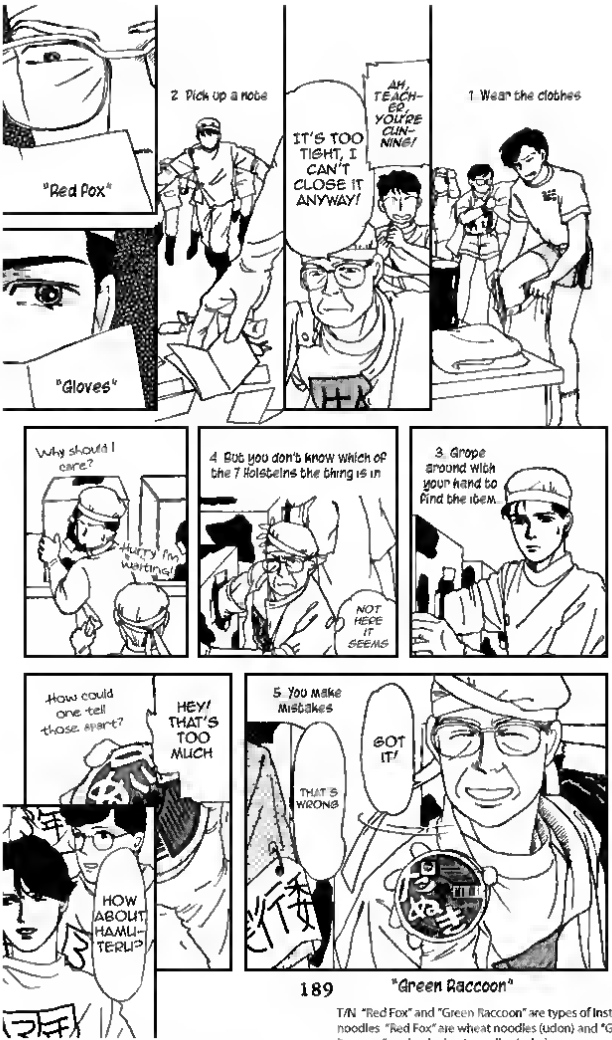

SO I BROUGHT MIKE, JUST IN CASE
ARE YOU OKAY, MIKE? NOT SCARED?
Nothing here to be scared of!
shoo shoo
God off! Wanna get trashed?
Might have heard Might not have heard
RIGHT, THEY'LL BE USED IN THE BORROWING RACE OR SOMETHING
ectal e Swedish Relay Awards Closing ceremony
X: If possible, please bring your pets to the tournament
On the other hand, they know all about the games.
Still, after several years with no physical education...
People who have faith in their running abilities join the serious competitions.
100 Meter race
To be honest, they're slow, they're weakened.
Let the Puppies Come Competition
Calling puppies to come and count how many have gathered
come come
THOSE WHO CAME WITH A PUPPY, PLEASE LET US BORROW IT.
Naturally, the teacher's team is the weakest physically

WAAH
run
run
WELL COME, COME A MINCED MEAT CUTLET DELICIOUS-
HOW LIKE THE VETERI-NARY SCHOOL
HOW CHARM-ING!
HOHO WHY WOULD PUPPIES GATHER LIKE THAT?
3rd year's team
Teacher's team
3
6
NIKADOU GIVE US YOUR PACKED LUNCH
WE USE FOOD, TOO!
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, ARE THEY ALLOWED TO USE FOOD?
DI-DIRTY
IT WAS TAKEN JUST NOW AT THE PIGGY BACK RACE!
3年
EH, WELL
STOMP
The tourna-ment is approach-ing its climax Games that suit the Veterinary School follow in succes-sion
Borrowing game
DO SOME-THING, HAMU-TERU!
SHIT! WE CAN'T BE DEFEATED BY THAT DEVIL'S TRICKS!
hmm
IT'S NOT GOOD TO BREAK THE RULES (I THINK)
HA HA HA DO YOU GET IT, LADIES AND GEN-TLEMEN OF THE 3RD YEAR'S TEAM?

HE WENT TO PLAY SOMEWHERE
WHERE'S FUKKUN?
WHAT? I TOOK THE TROUBLE OF GIVING HIM HAM TO WIN HIM OVER!
KIYOHARA, WAKE UP! WHERE'S HEIKUROU?
Good! I got a cat.
EXCUSE ME, CAN I BORROW IT?
WELL, YOU CAN
IS MIKE SOMEWHERE -?
Heikurou
Fukkun
Mike from Hamufetaru's
In this case, the "things to be borrowed" are animals.
Chobi
scratch scratch
GYAA
BUTT HEAD
CHOBI, SIT.
SURE, I WILL LEND HER TO YOU.
Chobi
SURELY YOU WON'T TELL ME THAT YOU WON'T LEND HER

CHOBI, DOWN
Nooo
WELL, IF YOU DON'T COME WILLINGLY, I'LL DRAG YOU ALONG
DROP
HUFF
3rd place 1 point
2nd place 2 points
1st place 3 points
SURGING ANGER
goal
below 4th place... no points
HEAVE UP
HAMUTERU I WILL REMEMBER THIS
DRAG
DRAG
DRAG

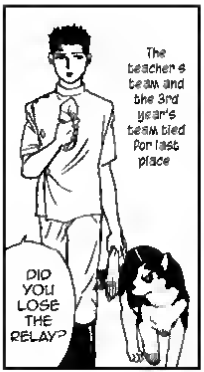
AFTER THIS, THERE'S ONLY THE RECTAL EXAM RACE AND THE SWEDISH RELAY. IT'S CERTAIN THAT THE YOUNG ONES WILL WIN THE RELAY, SO THE OUTCOME DEPENDS ON THE RECTAL EXAM RACE
Swedish relay
1st runner runs 100m
2nd runner 200m
3rd runner 300m
4th runner 400m
THE 3RD YEARS ARE PHYSICALLY STRONG, BUT THEY DON'T GRASP THE POINT. WITH THE TEACHERS, IT'S THE OTHER WAY AROUND.
AND PROF URUSHIHARA IS APPLYING TRICKS THAT ARE ALMOST AGAINST THE RULES
Surgery Urology Orthopedics
Infectious Diseases Mycology Parasitology
Pharmacology Anatomy Lab Animal Med
3rd year's Team
Trainer's Team
2017 1988
THE TEACHER'S TEAM AND THE 3RD YEAR'S TEAM SHOW A GOOD MATCH EVERY YEAR - FIGHTING FOR LAST PLACE.
Rectal exam race
IT'S VICTORY OR DEFEAT NOW, HAMU-TERU
DON'T BARK AT ME FOR IT LATER,
BE-CAUSE THIS IS WHAT I'M BEST AT
BUT MY ARMS ARE LONGER AND THINNER, RIGHT?
TO YOUR POSI-TIONS, READY...
bang


"Red Fox"
"Gloves"
2. Pick up a robe
IT'S TOO TIGHT, I CAN'T CLOSE IT ANYWAY!
AH, TEACH-SO YOU'RE CUN-NING!
1. Wear the clothes
Why should I care?
Hurry I'm warning!
4. But you don't know which of the 7 Holsteins the thing is in
NOT HERE IT SEEMS
3. Grope around with your hand to find the item.
How could one tell those apart?
HEY! THAT'S TOO MUCH
HOW ABOUT HAMU-TERU?
5. You make mistakes
GOT IT!
THAT'S WRONG

T/N "Red Fox" and "Green Raccoon" are types of instant noodles. "Red Fox" are wheat noodles (udon) and "Green Raccoon" are buckwheat noodles (soba)

6 If you made a mistake, you have to do it again
7 Take off the clothes
8 Put them on
9 Take another note
You have to properly feel it!
A glove is the thing with fingers!
I'VE BEEN HAD...
A sock
Ah, seems he got something easy
Sneaky
Hang in there Hamuteru!
GR IN
.....
HAMUTERU, VICTORY IS MINE

SHOVE
GUNDAM FIGURE!
ANO HAMI-TERU?
WRONG
Gundam
← Duck
FAR OFF
Fax stuffed toy
Ok! One more match!
Isn't it enough yet
BUT...
THE POINTS DON'T MATTER. THIS IS A MATCH BETWEEN HAMUTERU AND ME!
IT'S ALRIGHT TAKE YOUR TIME. WE'LL DO THE SWEDISH RELAY ON THE TRACKS IN THE MEANTIME.
THE FIRST THREE WINNERS ARE ALREADY DETERMINED EITHER WAY. YOU DON'T GET ANY POINTS
OK, ONE MORE TIME
3
2
1


The teacher's team and the 3rd year's team tied for last place
DID YOU LOSE THE RELAY?

The result: the Surgery, Physiology and Pathology team won. They were presented a certificate and cans of beer.
OF ALL TEAMS I DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE AGAINST SURGERY
I want beer, too

AWARD CEREMONY
T.N. Surgery Physiology Pathology

OOOH
NEXT YEAR WE'LL WIN AGAINST THE 3RD YEARS!

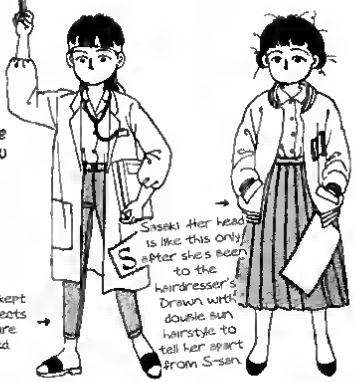
AT LEAST NEXT YEAR WE WON'T BE IN 3RD YEAR ANYMORE
3rd year

Before he knew it, Hamuteru found himself going at the Professor's pace and got immersed in the game...
HE GOT ME

OF COURSE WE DID! WHO DO YOU THINK TOOK YOUR PLACE? I DID! I RAN 400 METERS! I THOUGHT I'D DIE!
NOW THAT HE MENTIONED IT... I WAS SUPPOSED TO TAKE PART IN THE RELAY, TOO

MAKING OF DOUBUTSU NO OISHASAN

What happened until the publication of "Doubutsu no Oishasan."


Sasaki Her head is like this only after she's been to the hairdresser's. Drawn with double sun hairstyle to tell her apart from S-san.
S-san Her name is kept secret so her prospects of a gleaming future won't be tarnished.

"That way, you can make animals appear in the story without having to force it."

At the beginning of the serialization, the editorial department requested that "a veterinarian should be the main character".

Therefore, I needed someone to take me behind the scenes (of the vet business).

Also, I don't know much about veterinarians.

But, the thing with vets is - there are all kinds of them.

THE VETERINARIAN FROM THE DOG'S AND CAT'S CLINIC

THE ZOO VETERINARIAN

VETERINARIAN

nuisance

nuisance

Isn't there some acquaintance's acquaintance?

Book -telephone directory

Junko-chan

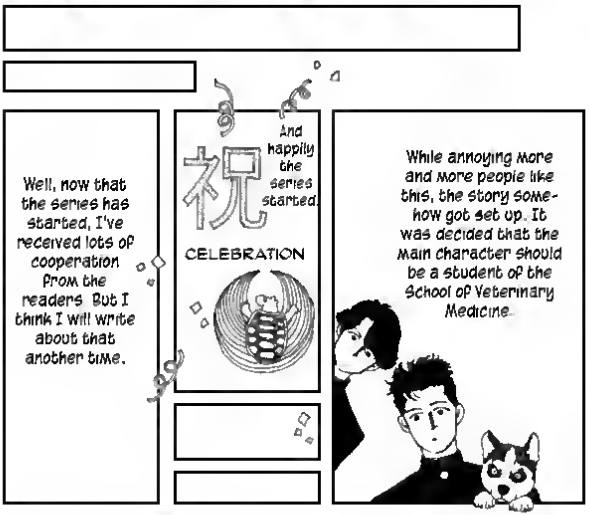
THERE IS ONE OF MY FRIENDS IS STUDYING IN THE VETERINARY SCHOOL

ME...!?

S-san, if you're angry be angry at Junko-chan Junko-chan thanks for telling

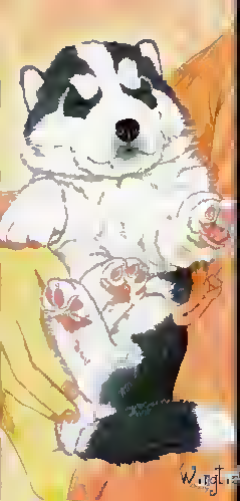
WHAT ARE YOU RESEARCH-ING ABOUT?
S-san introduced Me to H-sensei
Thus, I Forcefully made S-san become My 'brain.'
SUCH A PITY
HOW UNLUCKY
GASP
Squeak
Ele-phant dunia
H-sensei introduced Me to the Zoo Doctor...
Ok, be still
The private practice veterinarian
...
.....

ANYWAY IT'S A MANGA I WON'T DRAW THAT REALISTICALLY
ACTUALLY, IF I GET SICK, I WOULD CAUSE YOU TROUBLE
SO I DON'T NEED TO WATCH IT
IS IT SO JUST AT THE RIGHT TIME
YOU MIGHT BE SICK IF YOU'RE NOT USED TO IT
WHAT DO I DO IF HE SHOWS ME A DISSECTION?
ONCE YOU OPEN IT THE OOOR EMANATES
. and Doctor T of the domestic animal hospital.
A manga I see.
EH!
NO!
LET ME SHOW YOU SOMETHING GOOD
My head aches as if it's going to fall apart
Eh
well
.....


Well, now that the series has started, I've received lots of cooperation from the readers. But I think I will write about that another time.
祝
And happily the series started.
CELEBRATION
While annoying more and more people like this, the story somehow got set up. It was decided that the main character should be a student of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Doubutsu no Oishasan is a manga barely pulling through thanks to the reader's ideas! I am waiting for stories and pictures!

Making of "Doubutsu no Oishasan" End



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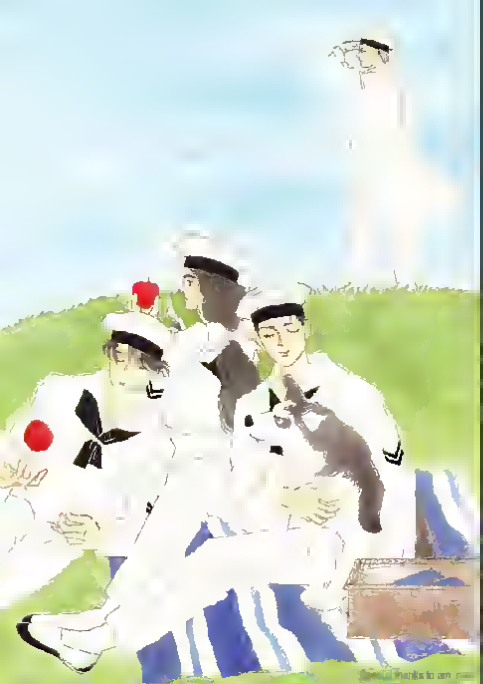

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All the characters in this manga are rather eccentric. Nishine masaki, the main character, was destined to become a veterinarian after he met the professor who was a big fan of Africa.

Sasaki Noriko's manga draw stories of sweet-tempered people and animals, that will touch your heartstrings.

Mike

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